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Oh! Sawako (1/3)



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■ 猪熊忍 ■
Inokuma Shinobu



So what did you wanna see me for?

Uh... That ...



Hiya!

Oh, Hiro-kun



Huh?

No matter what the circumstances are... the first meeting'll be the one most remembered, right?

Anou... Hiro-kun...!



What nonsense did you just say now...?

**sign - Ronteria (a fast food joint)

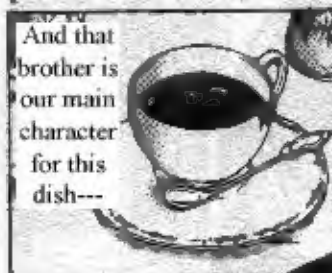


He's the one nick-named, imp-boy, Aona Jr. High's "Sabu"

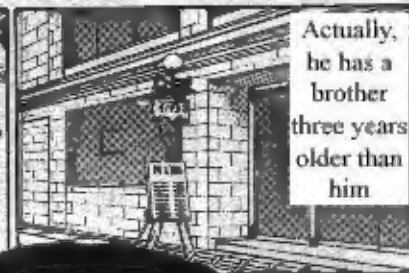
...to meet all of you once again!

I'm happy ...

I wonder if my fellow readers still remember him?



And that brother is our main character for this dish---



Actually, he has a brother three years older than him

*Cafe Ipanema

His name is, "Jiro"



Oi --- Jiro ...!

*sound -
farting...

W.C.
♂
♀

!?

Okaachan
tara... What
mother would
give her kid a
sashimi bento
lunch!?

It all
that
lunch's
fault...

Ahh
.....

No
way
....!

Damn,
I have
to hur-
ry...

I need
just a
bit lon-
ger...

Oh...
please
close...

I forgot
to latch
the
door!

Oh
my
god!

WAA-
AAA-
AAA-
AHH!

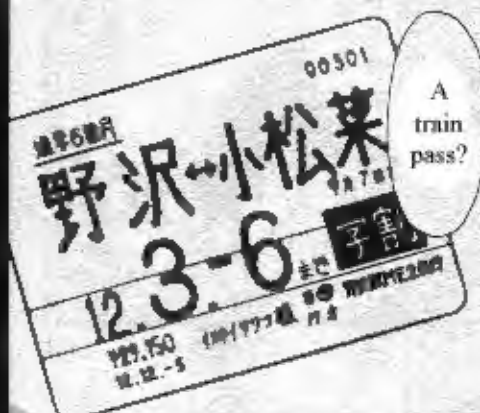
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...?

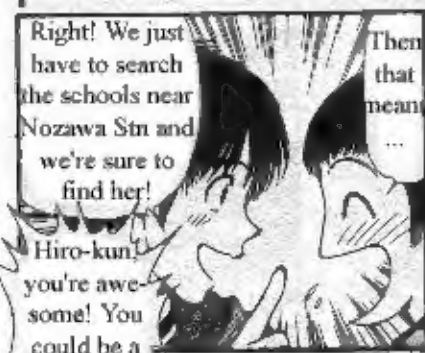
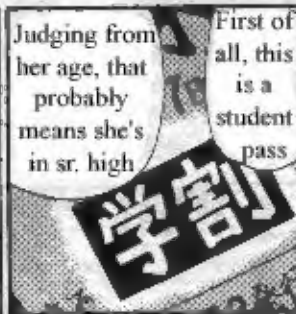
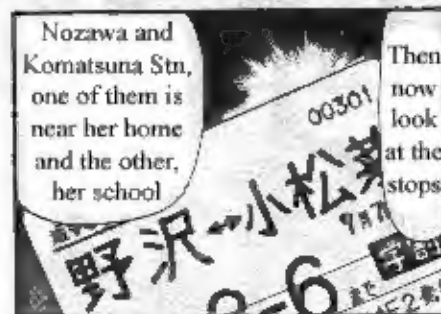
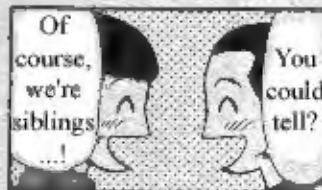
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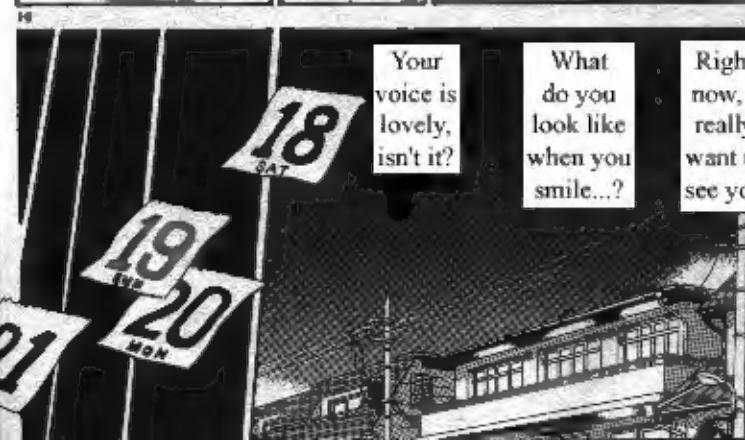
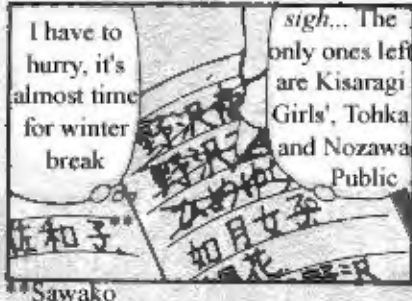


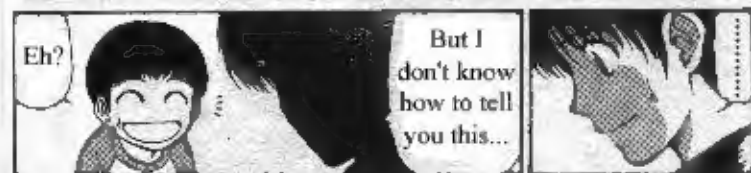
**NOOOOO!!!

あw.c
♂
♀
あ











I can't help it myself, can I?

I unwittingly... fell in love at first sight too...!



Sorry Jiro...

As a friend...

But...



I'm sorry...

Jeez, really, that's too much

What the heck, you were making it up?

Ah-hah! What if her dad's the chairman of the school?

Huh...?

I just didn't want you to feel bad

How can this be...?

She might still be at Narita Airport. If you hurry, you might still see her a 2nd time

Ah... ..

I heard that she got on a plane to France today... Because of her father's work...



I'm really sorry... Jiro...

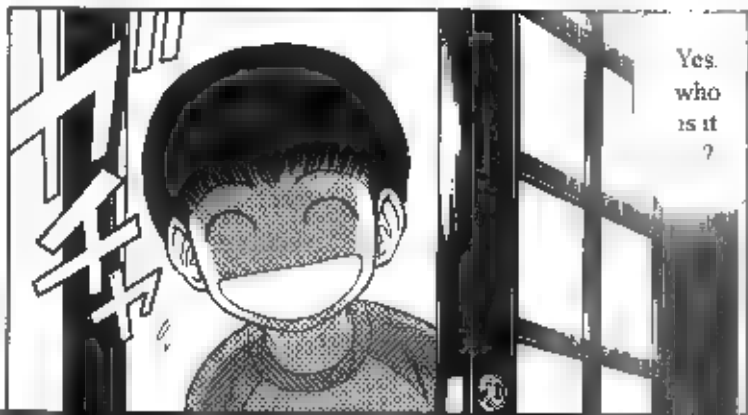
I originally hoped that you'd give up on her with those lies I said...





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Oh! Sawako (2/3)





Huh



She
really is
nothing
but
trouble

That
Inukai
Sawako
girl



Oh
Inukai
san!

A few
hours
ago in
Shibus



Just
shut up
and fol-
low me

Just
where
are we
going

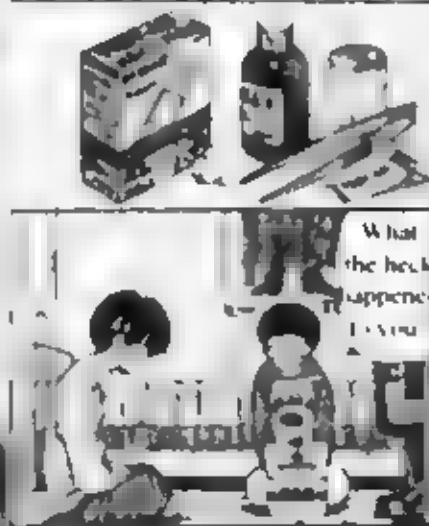


I saw
Inukai
san



Ji-
ro

Cri-
ash



What
the heck
happene
to you



It hurts
Jiro
It hurts
so much

Hu-
kun
What's
up?

Who says
can't buy
a new
one

Ma matte
Inukai-san!
Don't you
want your
train pass
back?

No
way
---!!

I want
you to
fix him
for me

Aah!
My
wallet
when did
she

I've
got this

Is that
really
a good
place to
hide

Ma
saki

It looks
like the
hotel
district
ahead

Looks like
we're at a
place we
shouldn't
be

Stop
dodging
around
and come
on out

hihi

I
shall
consi-
der it

How
about a
date as
pay-
ment?

You can't
just ask
someone to
do your dirty
work for you
for nothing

Want
a sec-
sawaki

I'm
winc-

Huh

Oh well
looks
like
we're
busted

That girl
just wanted
to steal my
wallet from
the very
start

Very
well!
It's a
deal then!

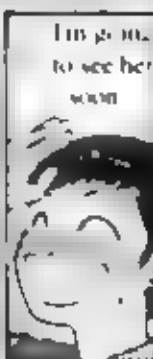
U-
wah!

Aah

Ya-
ma-
zaki

Oh
I guess the
plans a
failure--

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Now that I think about it... It's winter break already...



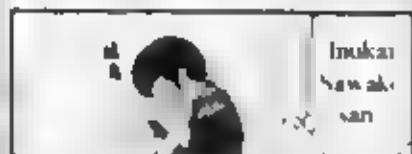


Yes I did say I'd consider it



Then didn't you say you'd consider it

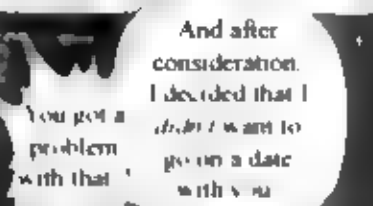
What are you talking about



InuKan Sawaki san



I don't know where else to go look for her



And after consideration, I decided that I *didn't* want to go on a date with you



What do you want



Anou



How am I



How many times do I have to say it



What the hell do you want



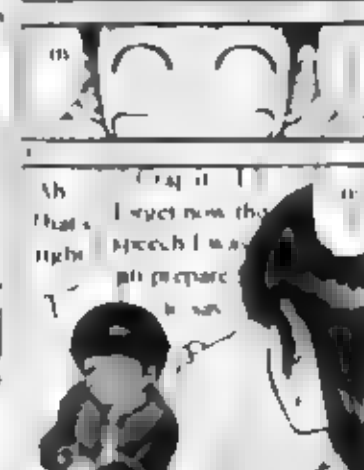
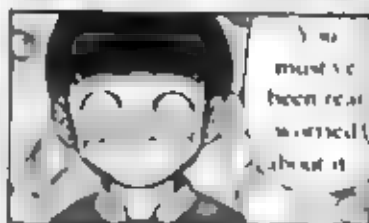
I never agreed to go out on a date with you



Huh

Yeah Don't you remember me

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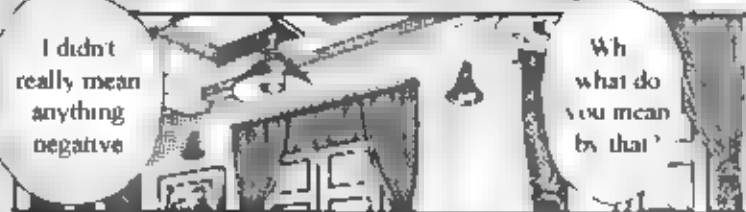
I didn't know you were this kind of person. Inukai-san

!?



Huh

ugh low disappointing--



I didn't really mean anything negative

Wh what do you mean by that?

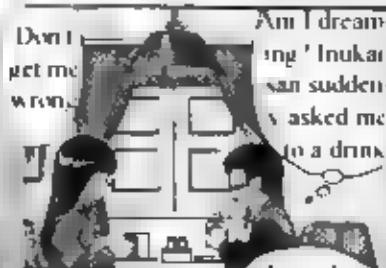


Have you ever considered their feelings?



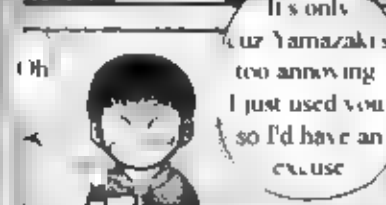
I feel that this may just be too much

It's just that there are guys so devoted to pleasing you and yet you just toy with their feelings?



Don't get me wrong

Am I dreaming? Inukai-san suddenly asked me to a drink

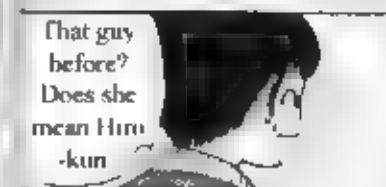


Oh

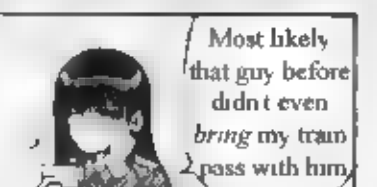
It's only our Yamazaki's too annoying I just used you so I'd have an excuse



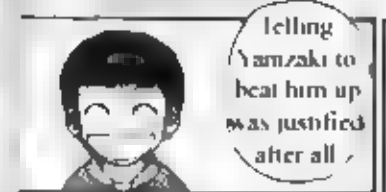
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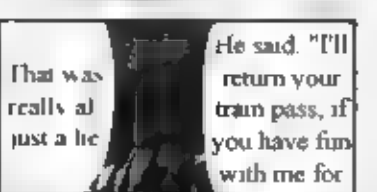
That guy before? Does she mean Hiro-kun



Most likely that guy before didn't even bring my train pass with him



telling Yamazaki to beat him up was justified after all



That was really a just a lie

He said. "I'll return your train pass, if you have fun with me for one day"



I think back to that asshole's sins

Shit It just pisses me off!

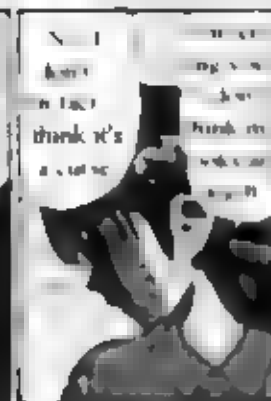
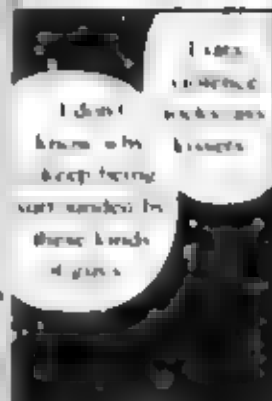


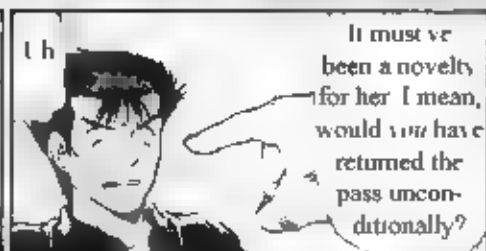
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How
could you
blame me
for doing
this?

Why do the
do a reaction
to protect
myself from
these guys?



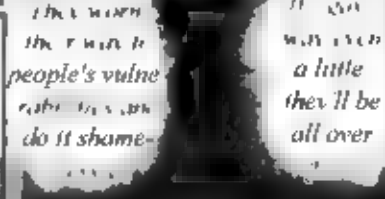
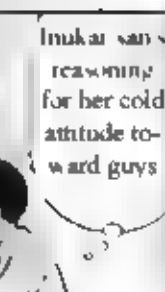
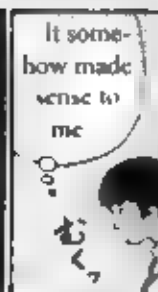
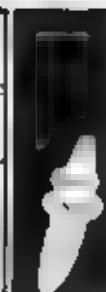


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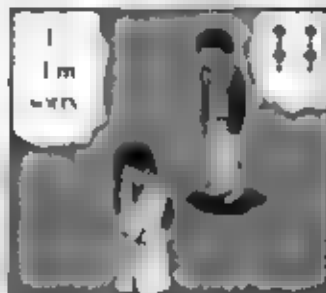
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I
I'm
with



Well
he told
and I'm
brother

The
ones
at the
door

Ah-
haha-
haha-
haha!

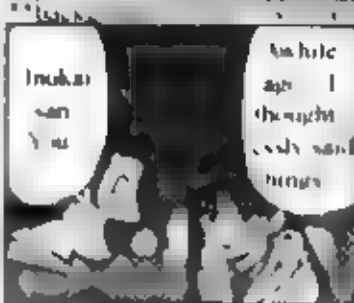


It's
a hour
it's killing
me

Huh?

It's like
Kintaro
Candy

I was
surprised
How could
you guys
look so
alike



(Mika)
can
you

A while
ago I
thought
only
things



But this
isn't why
I wanted
to speak
with you!



Well
this
I

You
surprised
me
You
actually
knew
where I
live



Huh

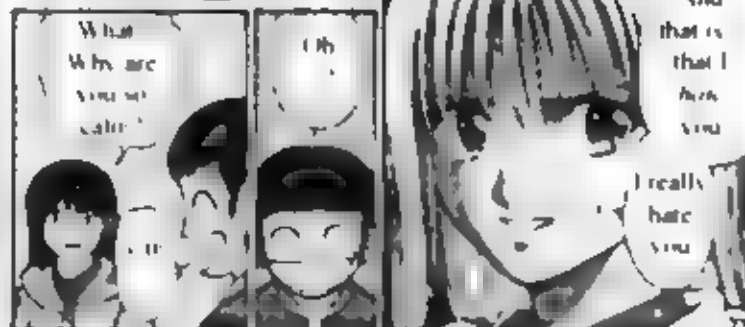


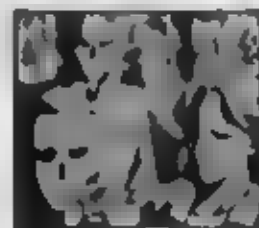
Why
did you
do that



I fol-
lowed
you
home

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It's a
New
Year





you and
wrote some
stuff on the

Please
go out
with
me!

By you,
love

Inukai

with

I
love
you!



What
the

K



Listen
to me,
all of
you!



They're
violent
liars and
perverts

I-I
can't bring
myself to
ever love
a guy



will
never
accept
it

But
I



Naturally
I'm appreci-
ative of
your admi-
ration for
me

To me I
will always
only see this
bad side of
yours

But
then



What

After which
I will never
again accept
any more
Don't miss this
opportunity
Inukai Sa-
wako

Accepting
confessions
But only
from people
that find me
before 8 (th)
tonight



Am I
wrong?
The guys
that annoy
you so
much are
all here

Isn't
this a
great
hunch?

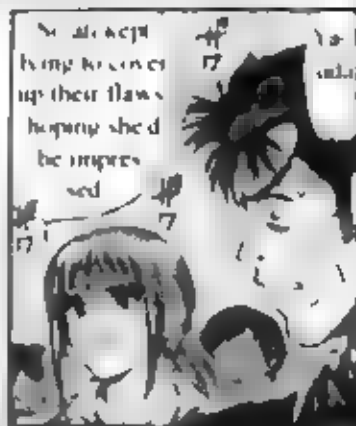
What
the hell
are you
up to?

But
I never
imagined
this many
would
show up



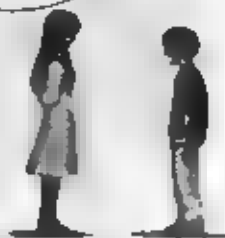
Here's your
chance to get
rid of them all
in one fell
blow

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was just written by Sawako's external beauty alone.

As it turns out, every one.



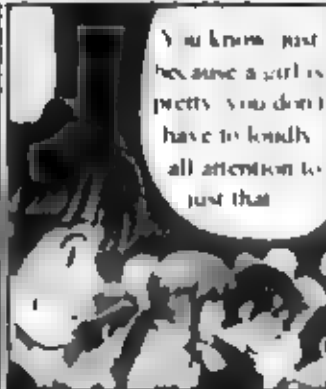
And this is the reason why Sawako chose to accept him.

He was the only one. He was just so honest, did absolutely nothing.



That means Jiro's first meeting with her.

You know, just because a girl is pretty, you don't have to loudly all attention to just that.

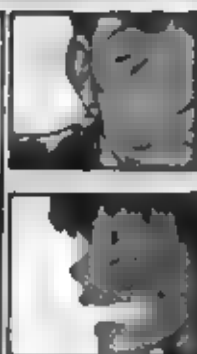


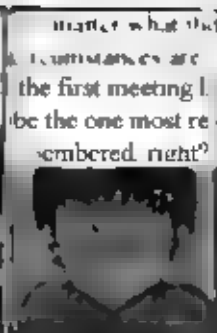
Only Jiro here manages to be different! I love him very much!



That night.

No way.





matter what the
circumstances are
the first meeting I
be the one most re-
membered, right?



They must
have already
connected at
an honest
level even
at that first
meeting



What
a lucky
bastard

It seems
that I've made
the perfect
choice in
presenting
himself to
me at Sawako
that time



A guy who un-
timately knows
that though the
hare is faster
the tortoise
won the race

His
name
is
Fu

PART 4

Graduation Gown (1/2)



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As expected of Shinagawa University's number one party boy, As I thought, all we need is Taichi and the party'll be on up.



But it's still funny though.

You say so?

We all know that.

What? Really? How dare free he is it's already this time.



But I did ponder on whether or not to invite Taichi here.

He's the only one left in our gang that still hasn't found work.



And you know what he told me?

And what's more, last time I asked him what he wants to do after graduation.

And right now, I'm desperately trying to push it aside by having some fun.



I will now imitate the master monk, Nagashima Shigen.*

The age of dreams are over. We finally have to face up to the challenge called life.

The more you oppose it, the stronger this inevitable character gets.



I am Shinagawa University's Hakozaki Taichi, age 22.

*Actually he's a famous Japanese baseball player known as much for his antics as he is for his talent.

sign - Shibuya
Station

No
problem!
Don't worry,
I'm not
drunk

Tatchi-- is
it really ok
going home
by yourself?

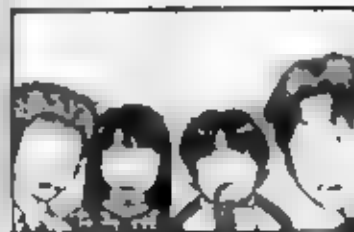
Karaoke
Karaoke

Don't
worry it's
Tatchi after
all

Will that
guys really
be okay

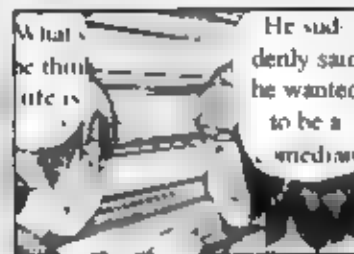
He's
where are
we headed
off to
next?

laha
I've eaten
enough
and drunk
enough



I'm going
to become
a Rock n
Roll mu-
sician

After I
graduate
college



What
he think
life is

He sud-
denly said
he wanted
to be a
medium

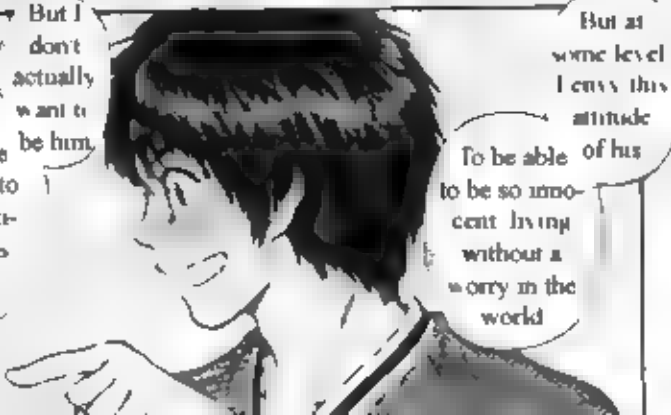
I now could
make it with
my skills?
Haha

Just
kid-
ding

わははははは

I don't
have the
courage to
be as opti-
mistic as
he is

But I
don't
actually
want to
be him



But at
some level
I envy this
attitude
of his

To be able
to be so inno-
cent living
without a
worry in the
world



I really
do want
to become
a Rock
n Roll
musician



In the past
year I've
been coming
here to
perform
in street
concerts
every day



Like
there's
a lot of
fun
time

Let's
start



What about after wards

Oh, I didn't let you. I was hanging out with my



Where the heck did you go with your sister last



in see

I've never directly told it to anyone
No one knows of my real heart

Never told my parents my friends

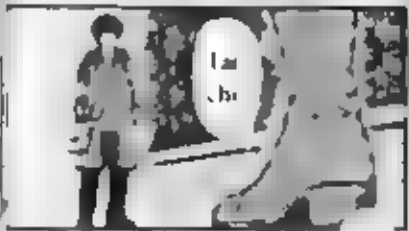


No you don't



Oh you know what you should be doing

What's up with you? It's like this every day you don't feel and you know where you go tonight

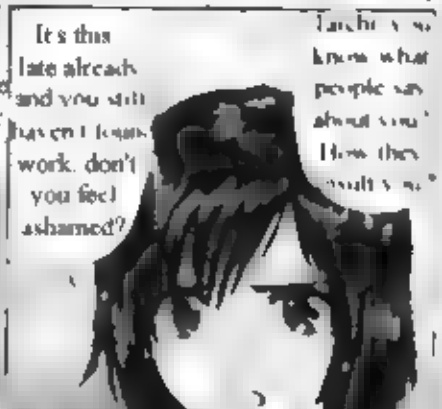


I'm



Have you been listening to me

Oh, Grandchild topped the charts for the first time



It's this late already and you still haven't found work, don't you feel ashamed?

Tarichi, you know what people say about you? How they



Keith



Not even my girl friend

Then go
find your-
self pro-
per work

I didn't
mean it
that way

Wait a
minute
Keiko

Looks like
you don't
have a place
for me in
your future,
Tachibana

I
get
it

You know
that my dad
works for C&D
Corporation's
Human Re-
source dept
right

What
is
this

I like
this

He
told
me it
was
a
subsidy
program

He
told
him to
write you
a letter of
recommendation

I don't
want a
lazy-ass
sloth for a
boyfriend

It's sure
(not willing)
to then
let's break
up

Please
being a
straight
salary man
will even
still in
style

I never
planned I
find work
to begin
with

Mind
your
own
busi-
ness

I know it
won't be a big
company, but
at least you're
sure to be
accepted

Hihi!

What
does
mean
for my-
self?

Thank
you for your
kind intentions
and thank you
father in my
behalf

It's time
to just find a
part-time job and
earn enough for
myself, right?
Isn't it simpler
this way

Can
even
my

Hihi!

It's not
for 2 then
Please
there can
give me
your res-
ponse as
soon as
possible

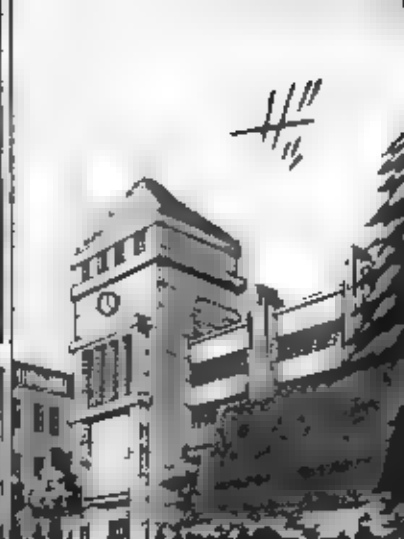
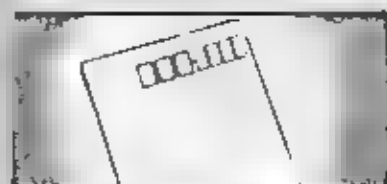
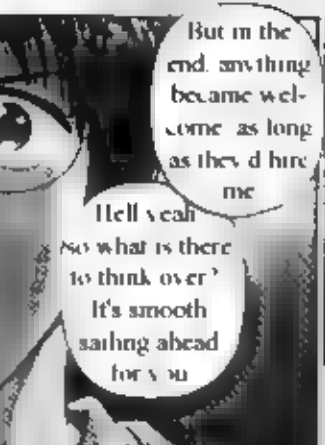
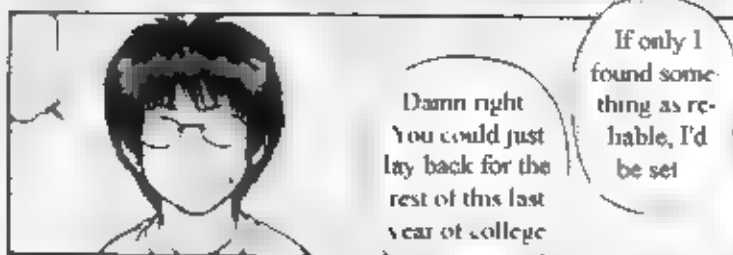
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Hihi!

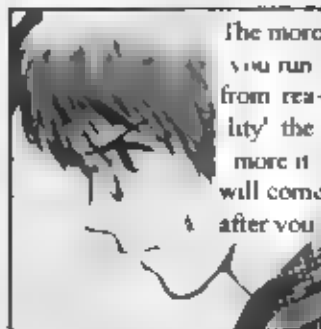
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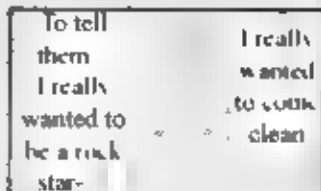
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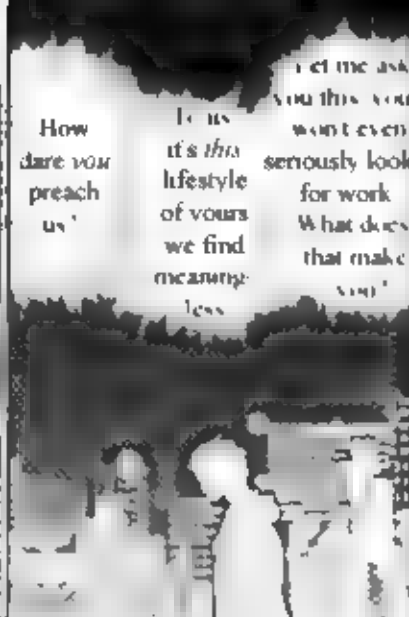


The more
you run
from rea-
lity' the
more it
will come
after you



To tell
them
I really
wanted to
be a rock
star-

I really
wanted
to work
clean



How
dare you
preach
us'

To us
it's this
lifestyle
of yours
we find
meaning-
less

Let me ask
you this you
won't even
seriously look
for work
What does
that make
you?

I couldn't
say it I
couldn't
admit I was
apart from
the rest

Still

Although I'm
not one to
change my
mind because
of objections

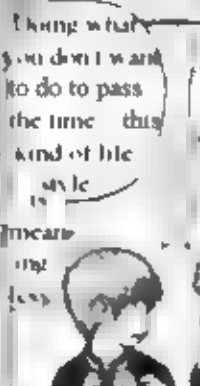
But I
could never
say it be-
cause I know
they'd object



Huh



he two
If you are
really good
he satis-
fied with
such



Thinking what
you don't want
to do to pass
the time this
kind of life
style

Are you
really go-
ing to be
content w
that?

What happens?
You end up on
a different path
Moving farther
and farther from
your dream

It's like
wearing
a shirt that
doesn't

Yet fit
you still
trudge on
ahead

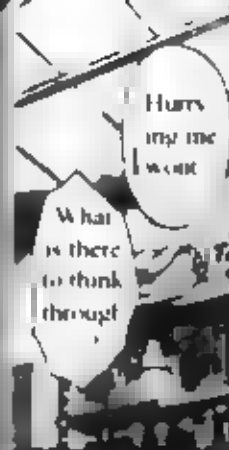


Huh

Just how
old do you
think you
are, talking
like that

I'm
hi
Just





Hurry
my mind
won't

What
is there
to think
through



My dad told
me to get an
answer from
you sooner

He still
has to
confirm
it with
them

Huh



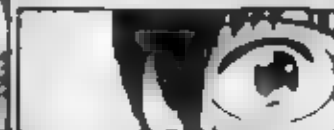
What
that girl
applied
from



Kee
ke

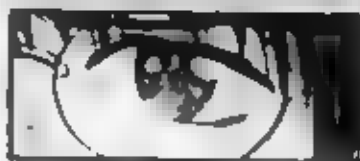


Is it
at
least
in
the



Isn't it to
get into
a good
company
lead a
happy
life

For
what
reason
did you
go to
college
for



Come
on
wake
up

Stop caus-
ing trouble
Return to
reality



Huh

You
really
changed



lau
ch



The girl I
knew before
would never say
such dreamless
words

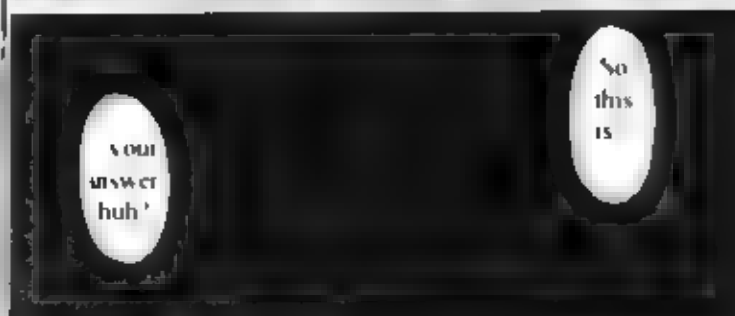


I really
liked you
once

Even up
till today,
I deeply
loved you
but



I'm going
to be frank
and just say it
I think you're
too inflexible
You don't have
any growth

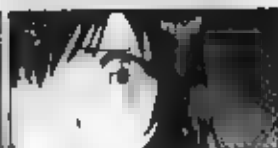


your
answer
huh?

So
this
is



I'm
going
home
now



I un-
der-
stand,

Thank



Good
bye

Being
unable
to make
them
under-
stand.
is very
painful

Although
I'm not
one to
change
my mind
because
of objec-
tions

Come
on.
wake
up'



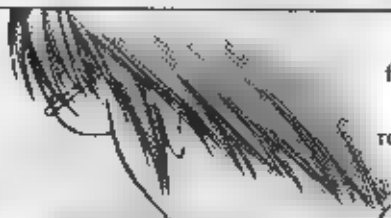
Stop
causing
trouble
Return to
reality

Just how
old do you
think you
are, talking
like that?



Just
ch
Just

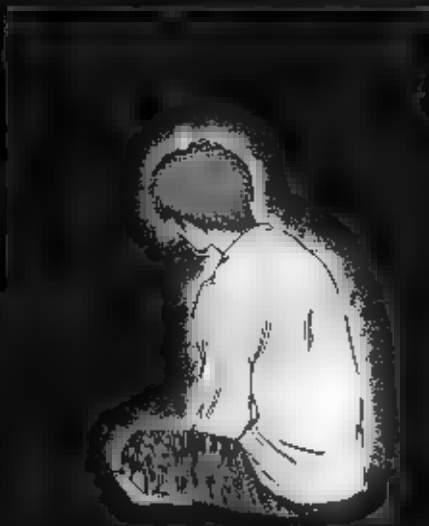
I'm
unable
to do



apart
from
the
rest--

Even
honestly
admitting
that I'm

I still
can't
tell it
to any-
one...



My
dream

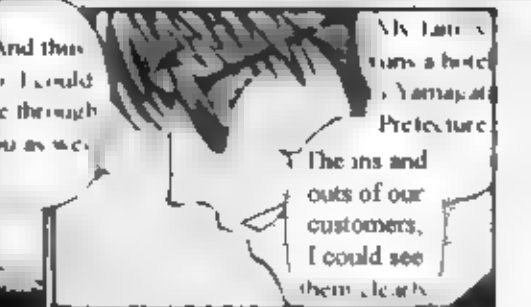
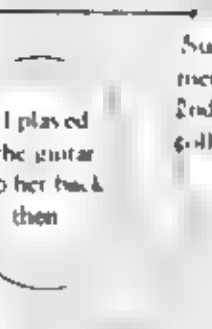
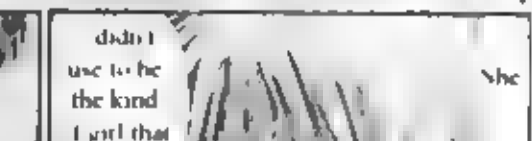
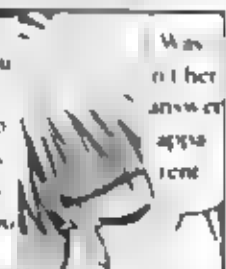
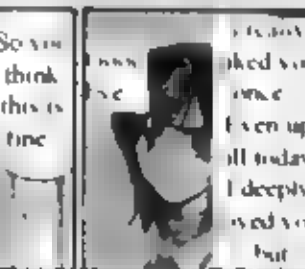


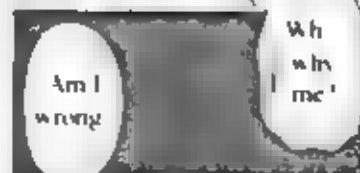
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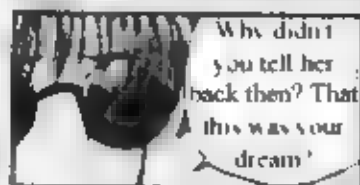
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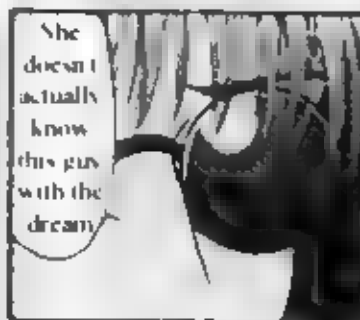


Am I
wrong

Wh
why
me?



Why didn't
you tell her
back then? That
this was your
dream?



She
doesn't
actually
know
this guy
with the
dream



That's
where
you were
wrong

But
was a-
shamed
of it



How do
you expect
her not to
worry?

You can't
blame her
for that

To this kind
of person
How do you
expect her to
define you?

To her right now
you're just a guy
without direction
a slacker with the
might but not the must



Huh

Why
I was
talking
about
you

I'm not
that good
This is
just a
hobby
A hobby

You
could
be a
musician

Not
really
Hehe

Wahh-
Sugoi yo
I didn't
know you
were this
talented



R
c
a
l
l



The
future
holds
infinite
possibilities

How can
you be so
dreamless?
This is the
age where
we have
the most
potential



Kuro-chan
you think
too huh?

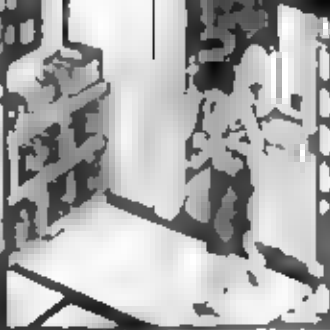
Now
that's
just so
wrong



She
said that
to me
once

Yeah, just like that
If my boyfriend
was a musician. I'd
have something to
brag about at last

Why you



I've
already
known
that al
along



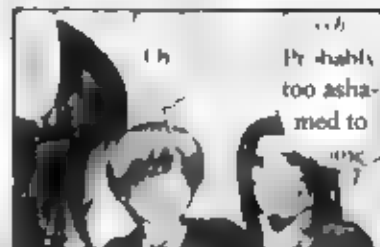
Ac-
tu-
ally



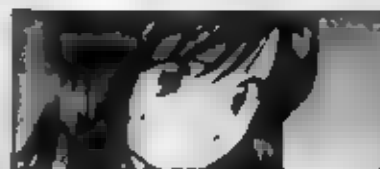
!!
If you have
to blame some-
one then blame
the one who
made her this
way, right?



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He's probably
too ashamed to



Oh
Well
I
We

He
I
he
didn't
come
with
you



I
cho



Hako-
zaki

What
is

Stop
Stop right
there
Hako-zaki
I
cho

Why
are you
dressed
like
that?



Atsuko
Shima-
yama
Gradua-
tion Cer-
emony



I
cho
hisa-
doru

Oh
hisa-
doru



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And
this

...is what
I'd be
wearing
to work

Everyone
wore their
formal suits
here

because
that's what
they'd be
wearing
to work



What do
you mean
be a rock
musician

Wait a
minute
What did
you say



but it
is only
now
I've
finally
turned
it into
reality

That's
right I'm
dreaming
I have been
for a long
time now

What
the heck
Are you
dreaming



This is
the suit
that best
suits me



There's
a limit
on what
to joke
about if

If you
know
why did
you dress
like that



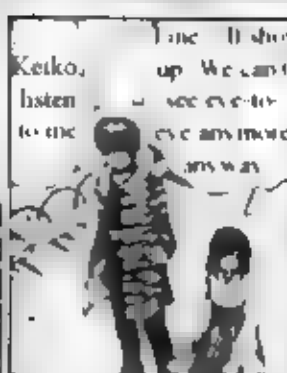
I
will
not

Go home
change
into your
formal
suit



to
listen
to me

Enough
I want
you



Keiko,
listen
to me

Time It shot
up We can't
see eye-to-
eye anymore
any way



I'm
going to
be a rock
musician

I.



His
don't
you



I don't
want to let
go of you
either

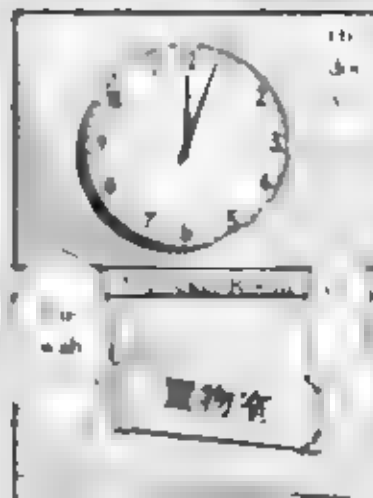
I don't
want to
give up on
the my dream
else at heart
it must a reason
I wouldn't
be me



to
suc-
ceed

I'll
work
hard

Kaeru Bank



And he dared
to ask me
to decide in
the end
What the hell
is that

He had
at it with
me all
the time



Good
bye



I've
used all I
wanted to say

Alright,
all that's
left is
your
answer



How
can
that
be

Keiko,
you're
going to
eat this
by your-
self?

looks
so
good

Well
then
who



And
there's so
much. It's
shocking!

Why gosh
That's one
extravagant
bento!



I never
thought
singing
would be
so energy
consuming



Hee
hee it's
a secret

Alright,
I'm going
out, be back
in a bit

What? Don't
tell me you're
going to spend
lunch break
singing
karaoke?

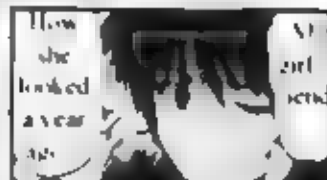


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How
she
looked
a year
ago

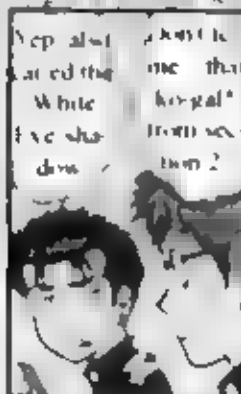
At
girl
school

There's
no hard
taking a
peck

No
Don't
I look



Was
his girl's
really cute
Who is
she?



Yep also
I ate the
White
Ice sha-
dow

Just to
me that
ko-gal*
from sec-
tion 2



Ken
Mio?

I am
You're
telling me
that's
Ken Mio?

This looks
nothing
like her



Those kinds
of girls should
be weeded out
Their existence
itself is a bane
to society

You
shouldn't
talk about
other people's
girlfriends
like that

So that means
Yuusuke is going
out with that dumb
girl? Man where
is your taste?

Knock
it off

makes
me a little---
no, it makes
me very
nostalgic!



Seeing
this
photo
in my
wallet



A
photo
to

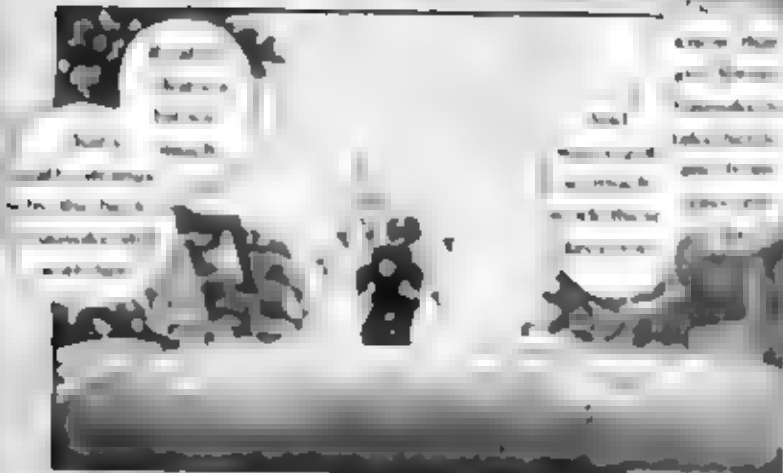
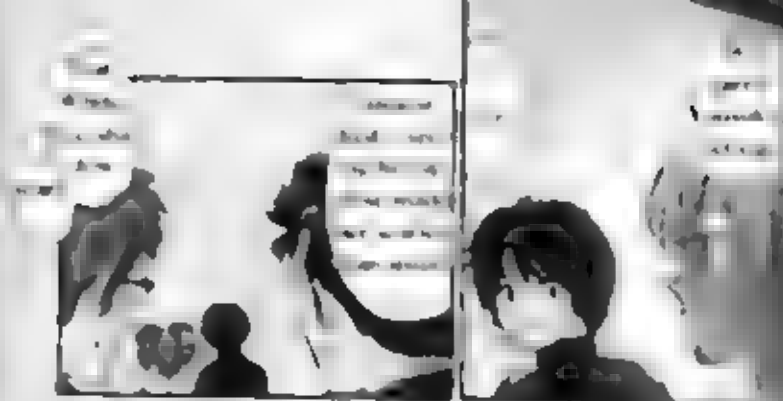
Yuusuke
What's he
looking at?

!?

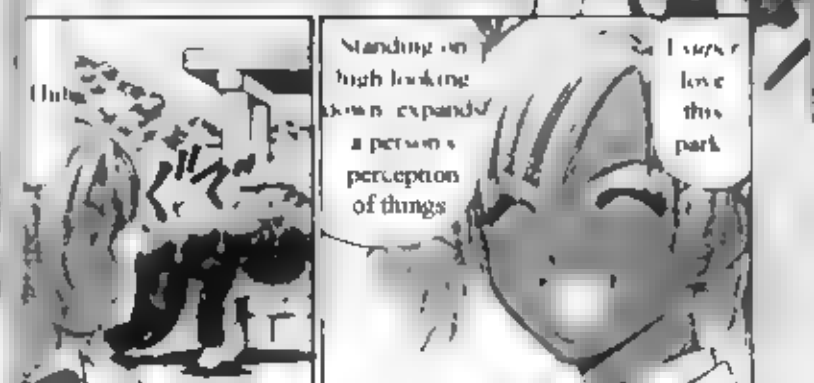
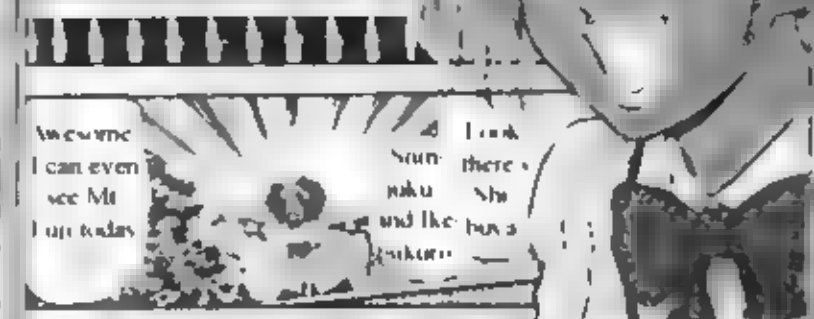
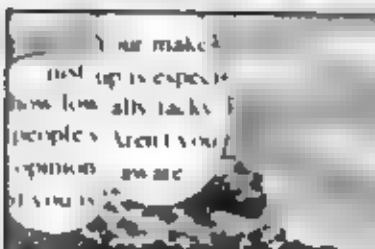
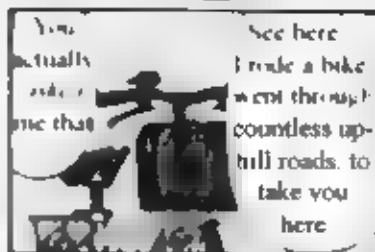
S
p
r
i
n
g

Lakeda
Yuusuke
age 16---





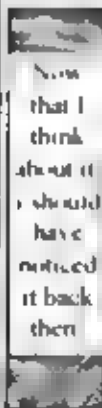
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Two
days
later

only
here

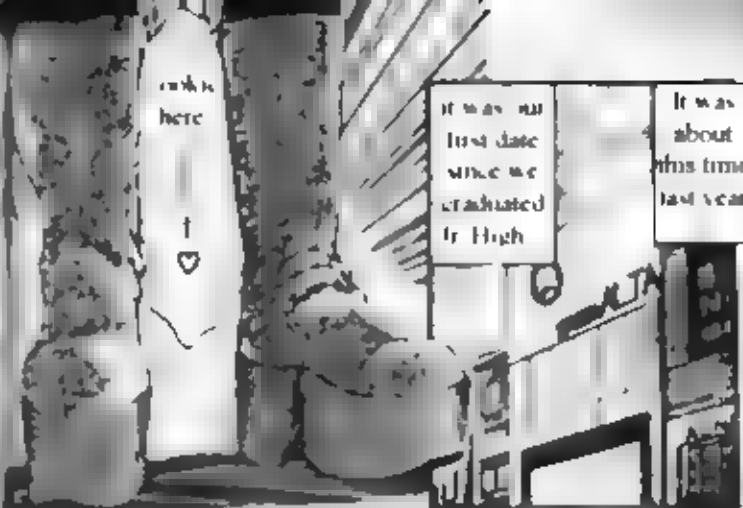


Now
that I
think
about it,
I should
have
noticed
it back
then



That

Although
this is also
a kind of
new cultu-
ral state



only
here

I

It was our
first date
since we
graduated
fr High

It was
about
this time
last year



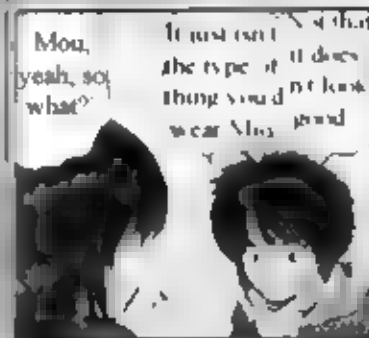
Two
years

Yeah
not
bad



Now it
looks
better,
don't you
think?

Holy
wow
It's a
mini
skirt



Mou,
yeah, so
what?

It just isn't
the type of
thing you'd
wear

Well, that
it does
not look
good



Well,
I suits
me
right

When
Platform
Shoes



After that
Shin's make
over increas-
ingly accel-
erated



And
another
two



Another
two

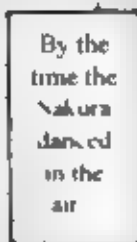
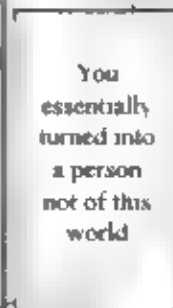


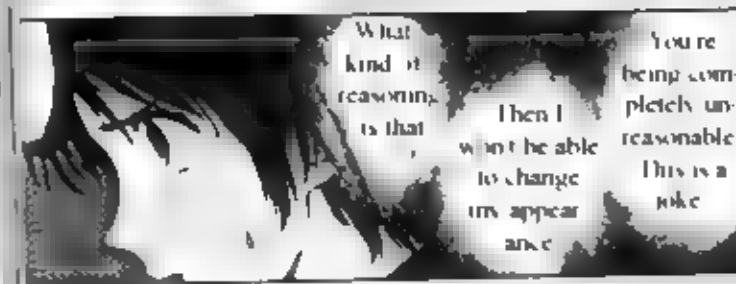
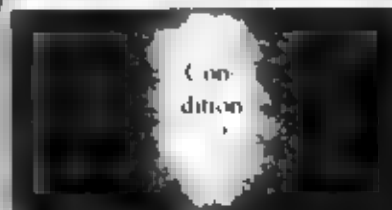
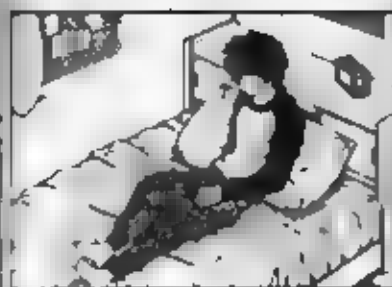
Now that I'm tall-
er, my perception
is proportionately
wider. Even my
outlook on the
world's different

I feel so
much more
uninhibited

I really
like
these
shoes

SALAD DAYS





Huh?
What?

Hey
Mio just
now

Oi,
Mio

No
one
What?

Who are
you with
right
now?

Oh
that
is

But
I heard
someone
call your
name

It's the
sound of
the TV

Then
what's
that sound
behind
you?

"heartbeats"

Oi Mio,
where are
we going
during the
break?

What or
She's simply
just making
you break up
with her on
purpose

Don't people
say that girls
dress for the
sake of the guys
they're with

That
is a
joke

No way
She
wouldn't
do that

And in this
time we
passed our
days peace-
fully have-
n't we?

After all
these
changes
started a
year ago!

Huh?

Well
nothing
specific
really

What?
Is some-
thing up

I'm
It's me
You
sake

Ah
Moshu
mosh

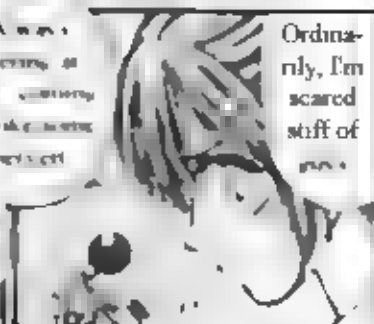
This is
impossible
She's just
not that
kind of
person

That's
why I was
afraid to go
outside in
the high



Am I
beating at
my
chance
to take home
perfect
high
at the

Ordinary, I'm
scared
stuff of
guys



Oh! Mio
who's
Yusuuke?



That
it's the
cause I
hate it

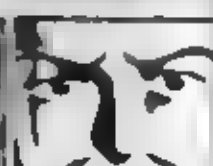
Although
I know that
Yusuuke
doesn't like
my design!
the thing

And
when
see this
kind of
the thing

But when
it comes that
my design
appears, his
eyes open
strong



I hate it
when guys
other than
Yusuuke
look at me!



You're
being
mean



I know
you designed
this is a cat
face, but it
looks like a

When
I was in
a test
centered
graduate
school

Huh?
What?

Me



That that
at Yusuuke
and even so
he doesn't
sympathize
with me

He
doesn't
seem to be
satisfied
with me

That
Hear me
out Sea-
myan





in all
the
the
the
the
the

It was
just this
Nashe
she has
heart in
the



you
starting
the
stand
less
less

the



Damn
Sea-ryan!
You want
me to
just you

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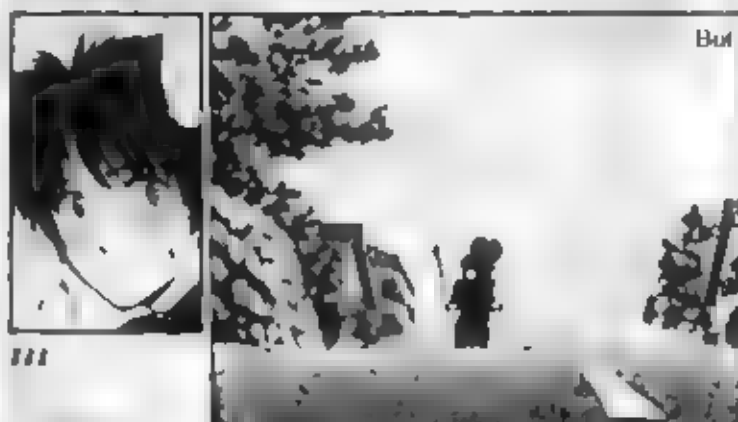
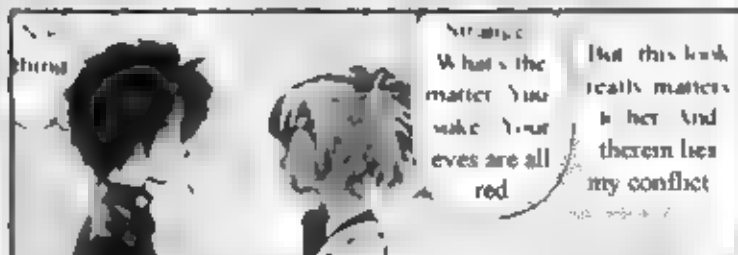
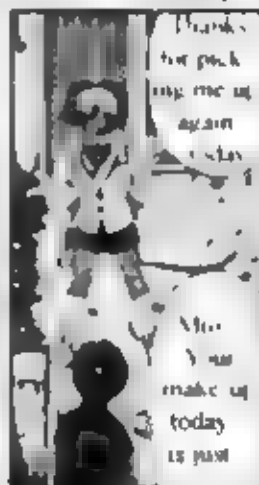
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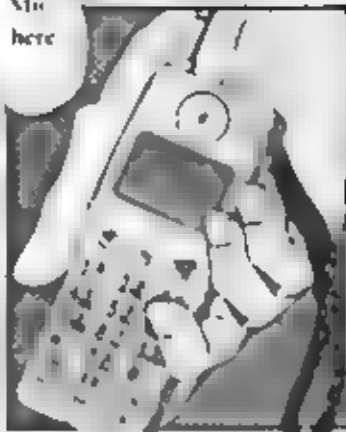
*sign - K

Actually, I really dislike her current look.

intentionally darkening her skin intentionally making herself look so hideous

Just what is she thinking?

Alto
here



I wish
there's
no need
I already
have you

Just
take
it

So no
matter
what Alto
turns
into, I'll
always

Spring
is here
at last



despite
all that
I still am
as fascinat-
ed with
her as I
have
before

This
is so
nice

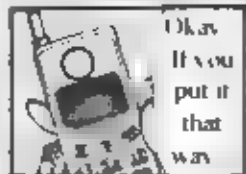


But
just
what
can
I do



I'm
letter
nine,
not to
see

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Okay.
If you
put it
that
way.



Of
course
it is.

This
is for
real.



Be
prepared
for me
to use it
anytime



I give you
10 minutes
to get here.
Hurry up.

Hey,
hey, this
is Mio.

I'm outside
the conven-
ience store at
Fumachi.

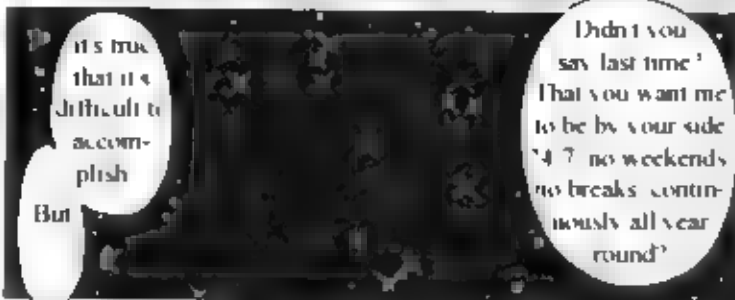


Huh?



This is for
the exclu-
sive use of
calling me.

In fact,
think of
it as me.



It's true
that it's
difficult to
accom-
plish.

But

Didn't you
say last time?
That you want me
to be by your side
24/7, no weekends,
no breaks, contin-
uously all year
round?



Hurry
over
to be
by your
side!

As long as
you use this to
find me, no mat-
ter what time or
place, I'll hurry
over as if there
was a fire.



I'm sorry

What? You were and brought onion-flavored crackers? You know I don't eat that



I want it here super fast!

I've got some friends over. Go buy me drinks and snacks for them



Nothing what up



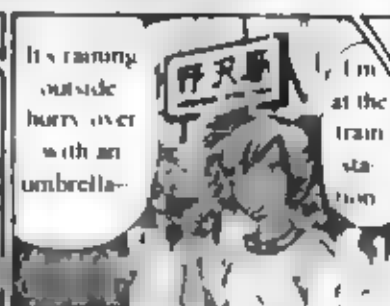
Ohh You're two minutes late

I'm so sorry shima shita



Go to my house and get it

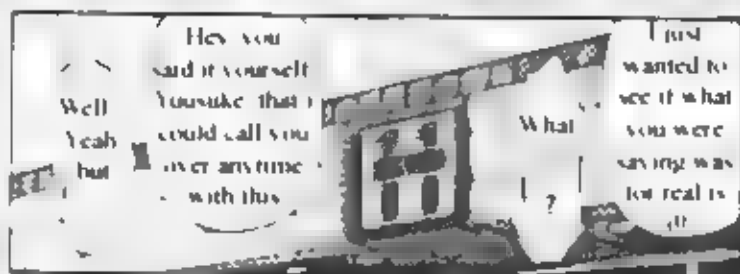
I forgot my bike



It's raining outside hurry over with an umbrella

雨天 (Ametsuyu)

I'm at the train station



Well Yeah but

Hey you said it yourself Yousuke that I could call you over anytime with this

What?

I just wanted to see if what you were saying was for real is all



But if that'll keep other guys away from her then

She's really taking advantage of this taking advantage to the point of abuse

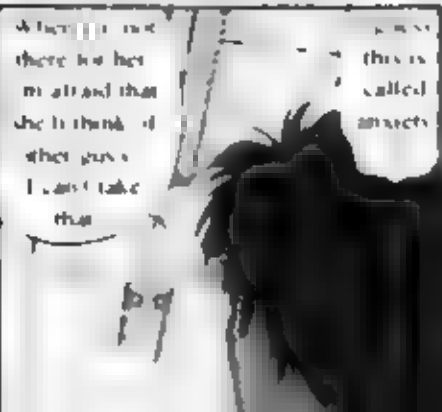
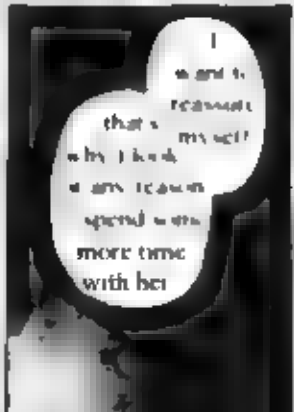
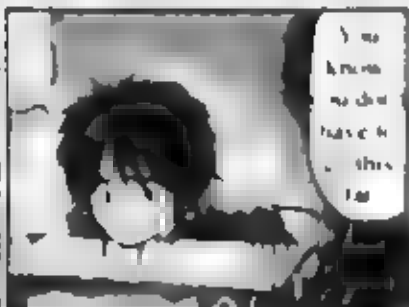
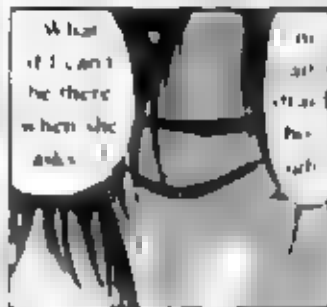
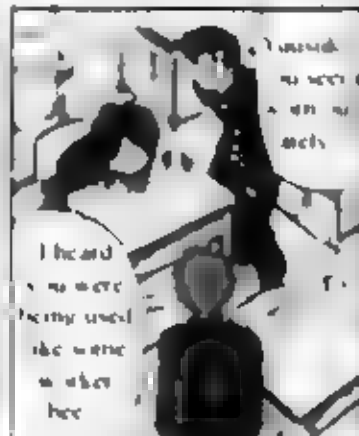
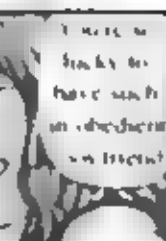
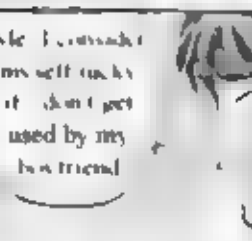


Yo I'm over here at home

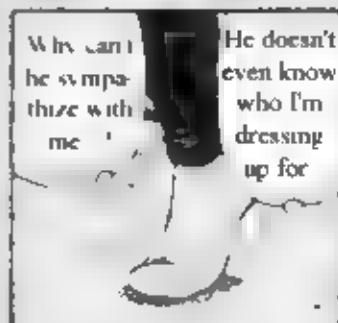
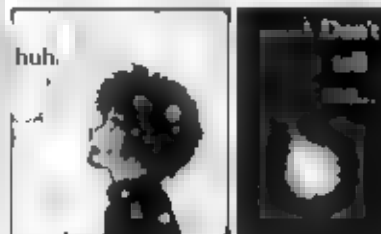
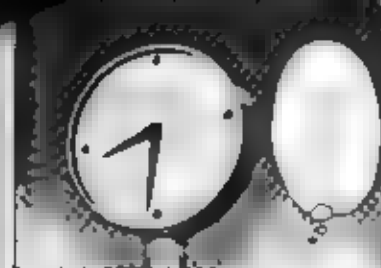
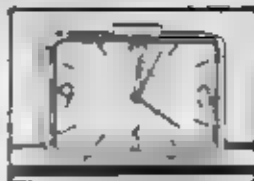
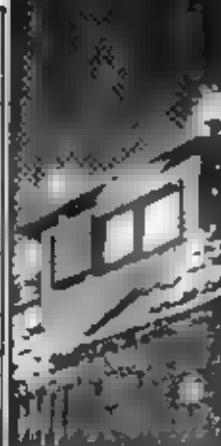


Might since you're here might as well take me home

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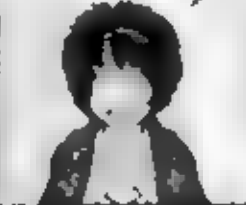


You're really an idiot, an incurable idiot at that

There's gotta be a limit to a person's idiosyncrasy, right?

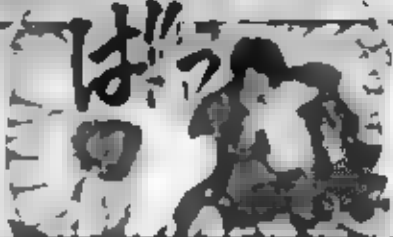


Well, 'cuz you don't realize no matter what I say, I thought it was fun to try it



Also, I was lying about that

How your sacrifice is just to make me change my appearance anyway!



How dare you! I sat here quietly listening to you, and



Then what the hell is it then?

That's not the reason at all

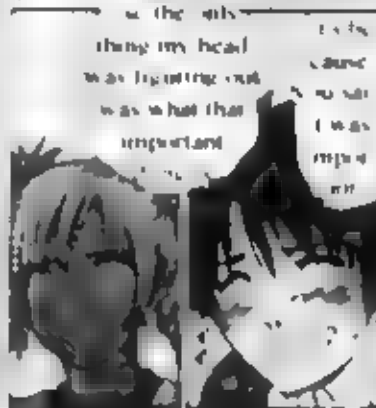


Hub

Wait a sec, isn't this where you gave me a cellphone?



What are you talking about?



...the only thing my head was fighting out was what that important

...is because I was important



I thought I actually didn't think of it

Make! You could've just called to tell me about it!



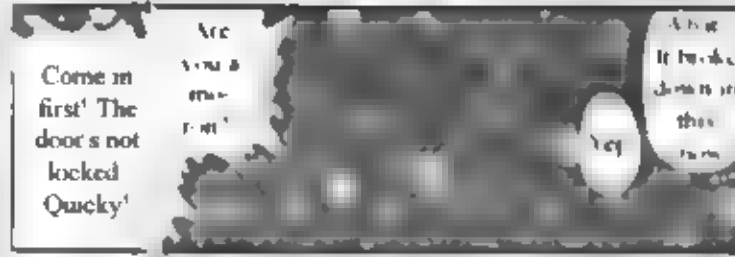
I was late 'cuz my bike broke down

like I really did make it!



19

You make



Come in first! The door's not locked Quicky!

Are you a man?

What? It broke down in this room

Yes



Ah
hahaha
hahaha
haha!



I heard
it you
know
I heard
it clear
as day

High
that
time



Over
the
phone
was it?



You
called



Wow
jeez
Damn
it

Cho
wahaka
Mention
it earlier



It's S
Scary an
How can
this be?

You
mean
this
right



Because
you're my
girlfriend!



What
are you
talking
about
I don't
get it



Don't
deny
it any
longer
I'm talking
about that
guy you
were with
that time
I called



it's because
I refuse to
let another
guy come
near you!

I will
never let
anyone
take you
away!

I always
wish that
I was taller

Nothing
is better than
I to sleep
dressing
like this

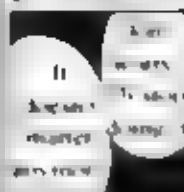


No matter
how I try
I can't seem to
always be
young

uh

no really
shouldn't
need to
dress like
that

that
really
Mio



If
I were
taller
I could
reach
the top
of the tree



It is an
easy
dream to
have
achieve

I made
myself like
this to keep guys
other than you
Yuusuke from
looking at me



I know
that you'll
always be
there, side
by side
with me
Yuusuke

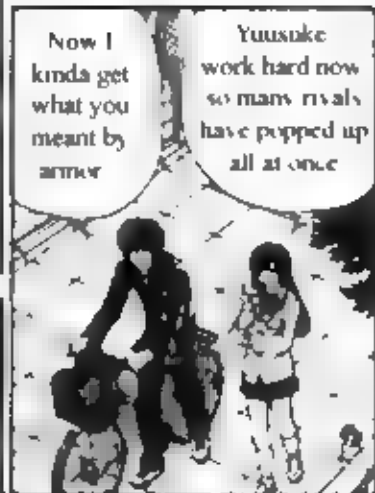




Don't
worry
though!

I won't
go wander
off to any
others

After all
when I turned
ko-gal last year
you kept on loving
me so you have a
year's edge over
everyone



Now I
kinda get
what you
meant by
artist

Yuusuke
work hard now
so many rivals
have popped up
all at once



Yeah!



Starting
today we'll
keep refining
your edge and
move forward
I understand!

We
can't let go
of these
hands
that bind
us

So I'm
counting
on you
from now
on!

Yup



What?!
Keii
Mio!?!

No
way
---!?

That
ko-gal
from sec-
tion 2"



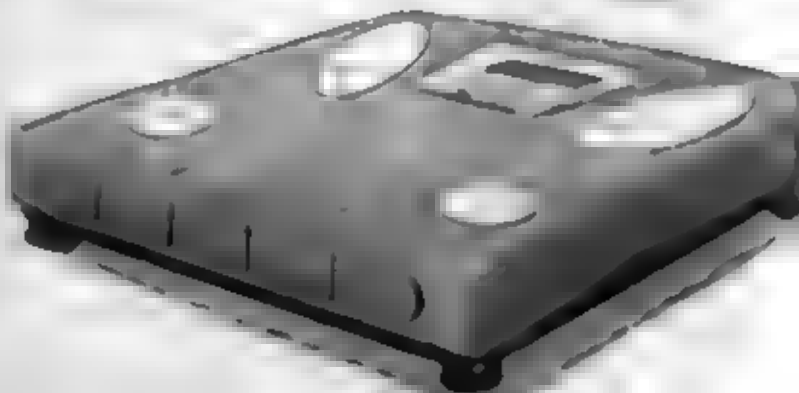
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PART 8

Diet Love (1/3)





Nee
chootto
matte
na

(Can
you run
a little
slower)

To her
I'm like a
guardian
angel,
I guess?

She's not
one that
should be
left un-
cared for

She's been
sickly and
weak since
she was
little

My
childhood
friend,
Ibara
Mutsumi



But...



It's hting
it's sweaty
and it makes
me hungry

I hate
jogging
the most

Mutsu-
mi
You

(Can
we
rest a
bit)



Anou
Shin-
chan

Shin-
chan



April
2000---
somewhere
in Noza-
wa City
Tokyo---



I can see
things
better
now.

Now that
I have
graduated
from high school,
I can go to
college.



When
I was
a child,
I was
always
happy.

Now
I am
a man.
I can
do many
things.
I can
go to
college.



I've
decided
to go
to college.

I've
decided
to go
to college.



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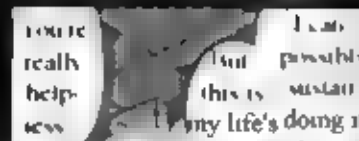
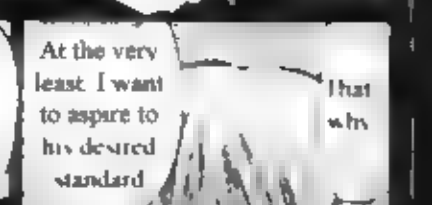
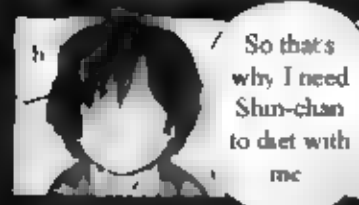
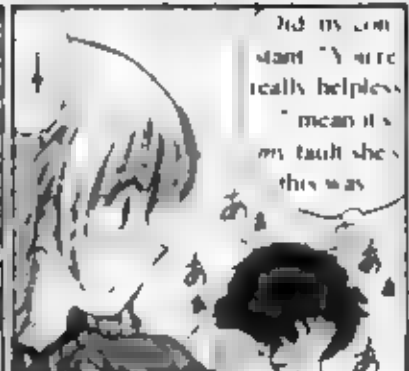
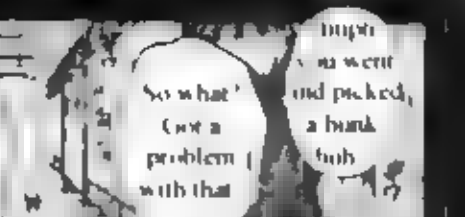
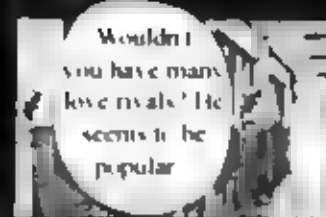
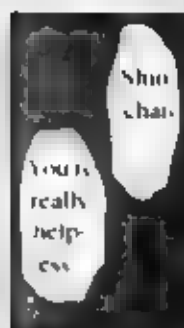
I've
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to go
to college.

I've
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to go
to college.

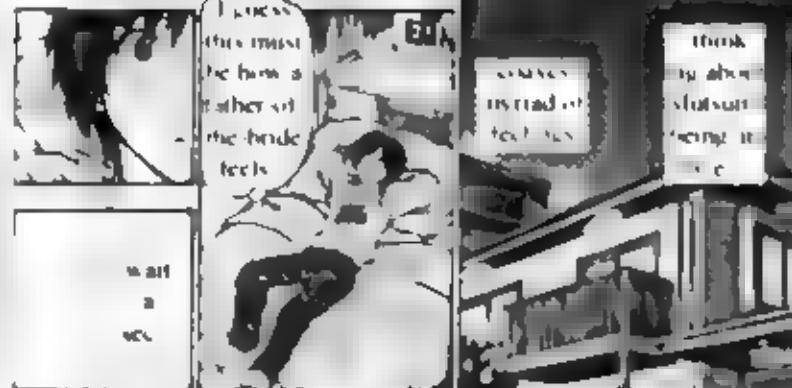
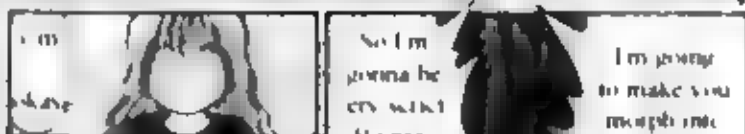
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If you lose more than 5% of your body weight in a month, there's a chance of rebounding.

Is that so?

The most scary thing about diets is once you stop you might become fatter than before.

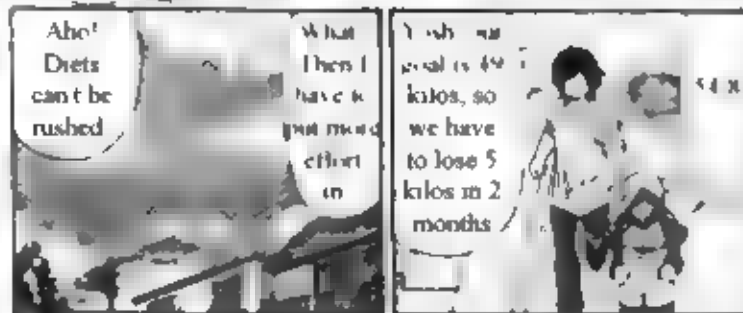
In other words, a rebound.



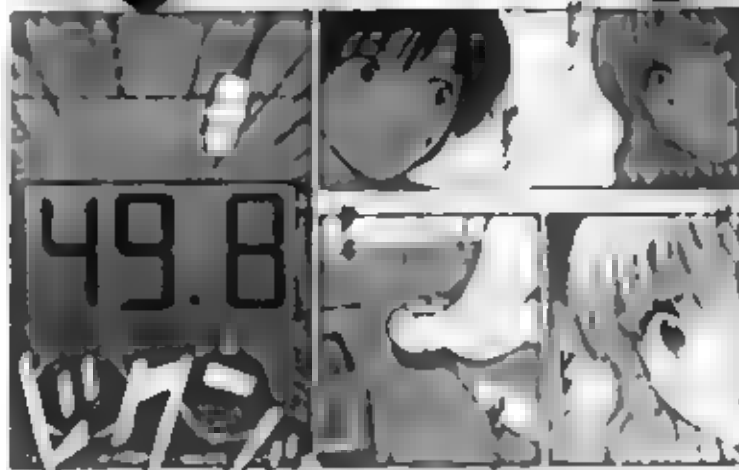
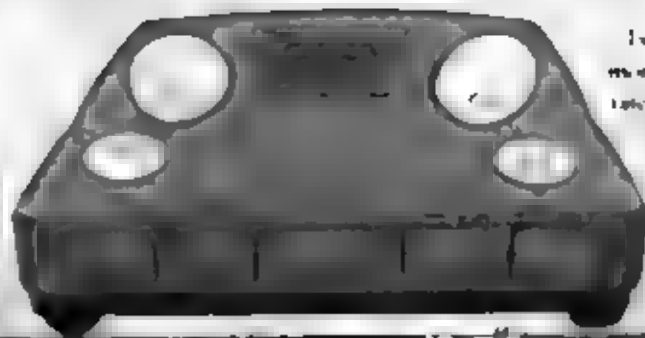
Control and activity are keys to success.

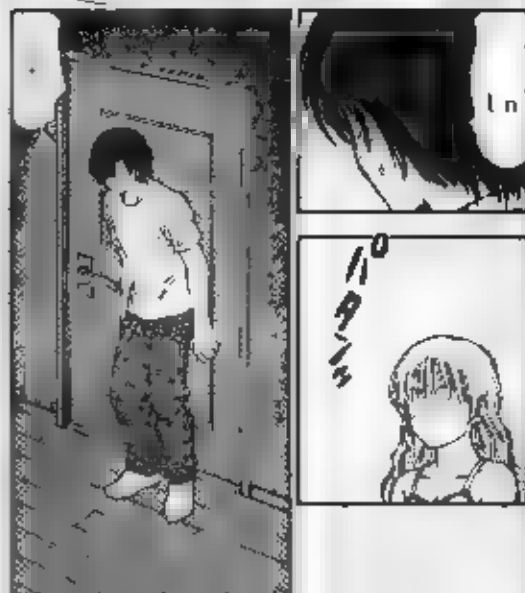
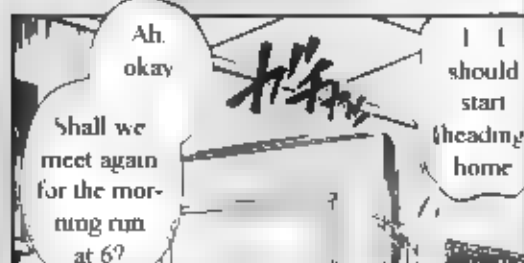
It's just a little less eating and a little more exercise than usual.

This so-called diet, it's easy as long as you're willing to do it.



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Since when did this brat become this adorable ...?





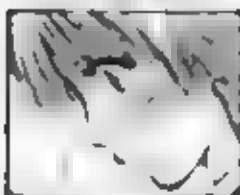
Shin
what



Sh
Sh
Sh
Sh



There's
something.
I want to
tell you



Well



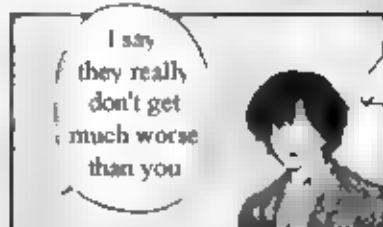
What
is it



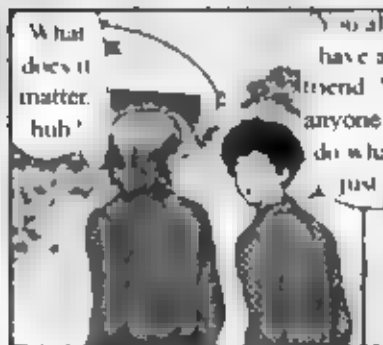
Begin-
ning that
day, Mu-
tsuami sud-
denly star-
ted bec-
oming very
beautiful



SALAD DAYS



I say
they really
don't get
much worse
than you



What
does it
matter,
huh?

You already
have a girl
friend. Not just
anyone would
do what you
just did.



Here we
go, you're the
same as ever,
obsessed with
slender waist
lines.

She's gotten
thinner lately.
Her waist was
so slender, it
felt really fine
to the touch.



Huh?

I look
like Ibara
Mutsumi is
about to fall
under your
hands.



What
do you
think
should
do?



While
the
Anzaka
kun con-
fessed to me.



How
d
things
turn
out this
way.

Damn
straight. You
should decide
small things
like this by
yourself.

is
that
so?

Isn't this
great? You
were right
to go on a
diet then.

Who ka?
What do
you need
advice
for?

You inadvertently
force me to end
my role as your
guardian angel!

Just when
I finally
discover
my true
feelings.



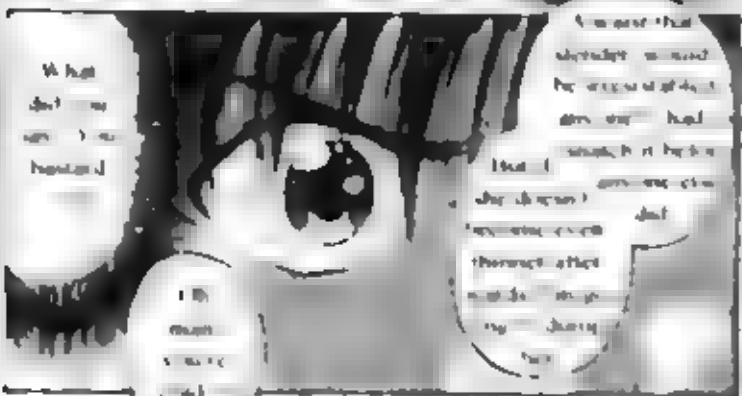
An-
gelo
Shin-
chan

Ohay



Nothing
 makes me
 happy, I
 just love to
 be with you
 always

Ari-
 saka
 !



What
 are you
 saying?

It's just that
 I've never
 seen you
 before

I don't
 know who
 you are, but
 I like you

I'm
 sorry
 about
 this

PART 9

Diet Love (2/3)





Because
Anisaka
kun likes
thin girls

I've
decided
I want
to go on
a diet



All this
for An
saka's
sake

Minsumi
strived to
make her
self more
beautiful



And
then
that
hastard
Anisaka





What
did you
say? You
bastard



Say
it one
more
time



What
do you
want?



Shin
chan



What
the

I dare
you to
say it
once
more!



It was 3 days
after that in-
cident but we
still haven't
spoken since



What
does it
matter
huh?

You al-
ready have
a girlfriend

You are
nuts. I heard
you confessed
to Ibara
Mutsumi?



What
the hell
did that
incident



But if
she doesn't
become even
thinner after-
wards I'm
going to
dump her



Nothing
beats the
feeling of
taking first
dibs on a
cherry

SALAD DAYS

like

Are you
tired this
Sunday?

...wishes just
about to
travel...

1. 2004
 2. 2005
 3. 2006

1. $\frac{1}{2}$
 2. $\frac{1}{2}$
 3. $\frac{1}{2}$
 4. $\frac{1}{2}$
 5. $\frac{1}{2}$

1. Page
2. Page
3. Page
4. Page



Figure 1

वि.सं. सं. सं. सं.

tickets to
the amuse-
ment park

1. ☐ **Yes**
 2. ☐ **No**
 3. ☐ **Not sure**
 4. ☐ **Other**
 5. ☐ **Don't know**



highly
to have free
tickets to
the amuse-
ment park

1. 2000
2. 2001
3. 2002



A. H. ...
...
...
...



Chin-chin
what we t

Lim
he's from
our class,
I wish that
Shinn-

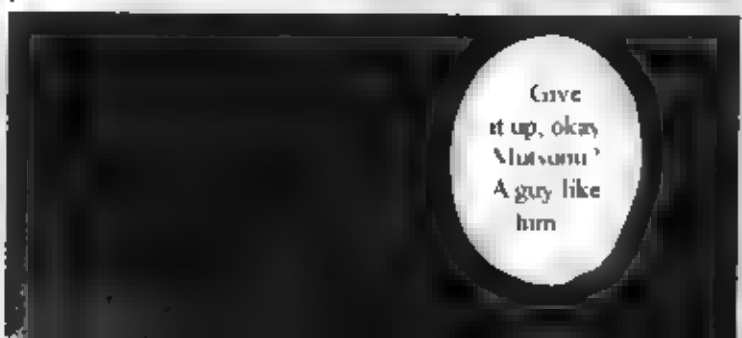
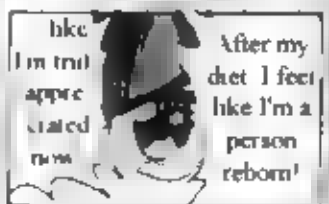
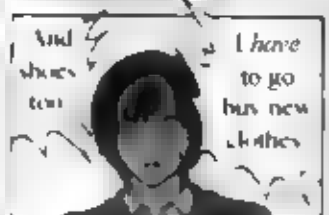
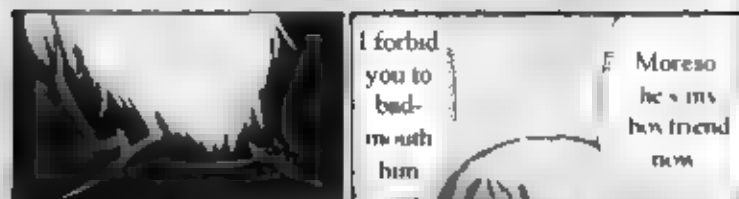
We have a
that gives
It says a word
to record



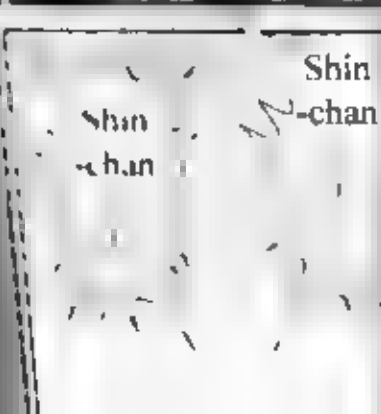
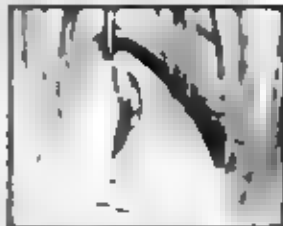
Um,
he's from
our class,
Murahata
Shinnosuke.
He's
the teacher.

We have
this year
It's a good
to read

THE



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Huh

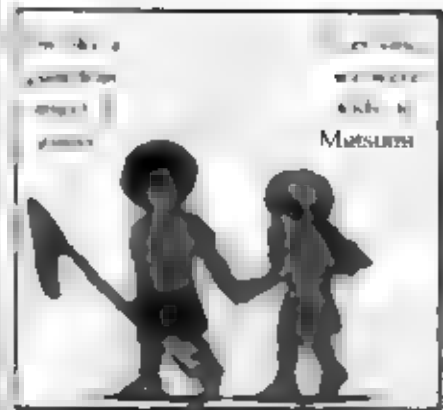
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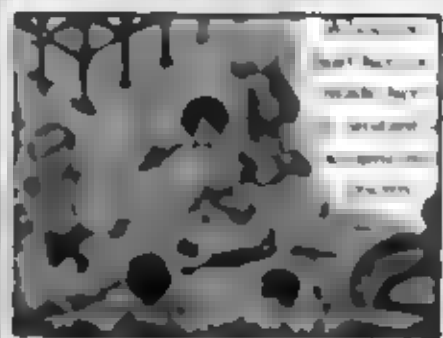
match the
value of her



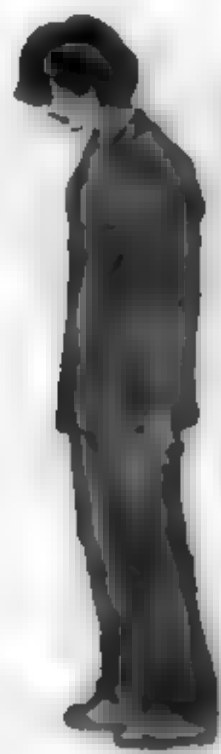
Why
Why
Did
I do
such a
thing

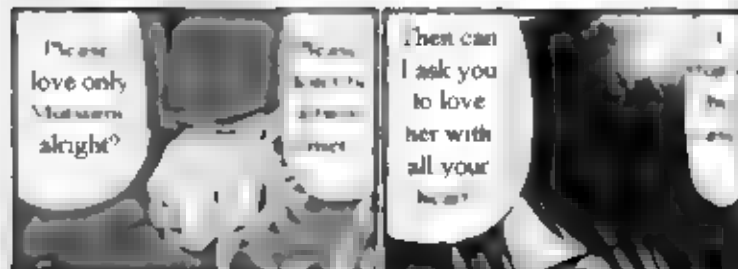


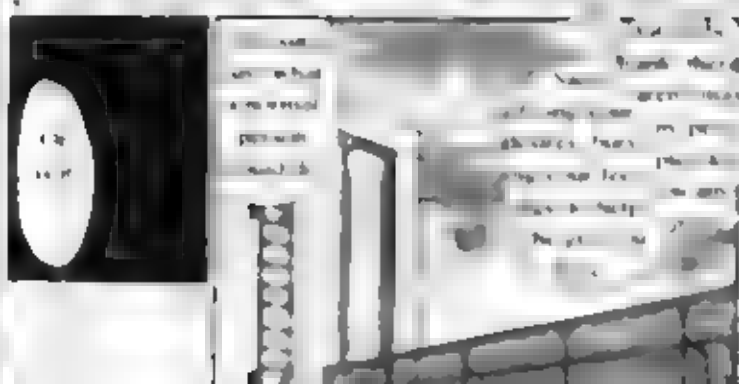
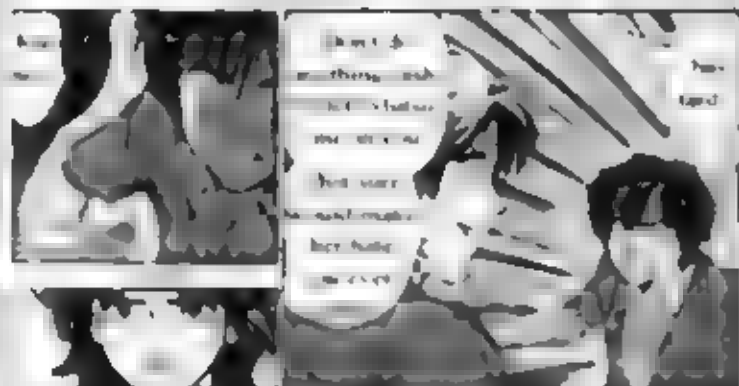
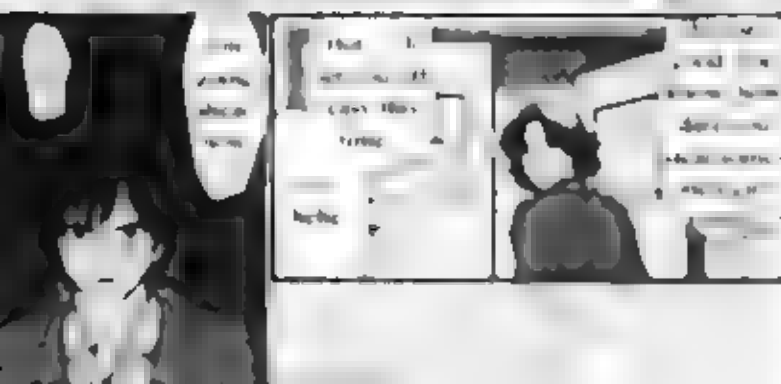
all that
around her
of her heart
to be strong



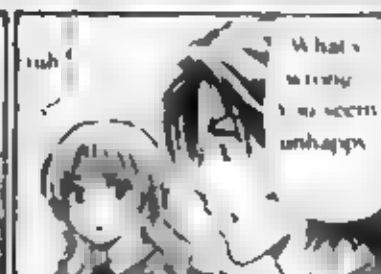
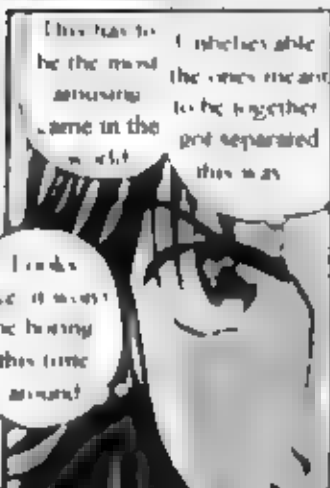
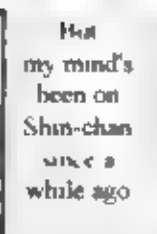
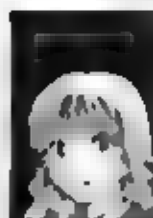
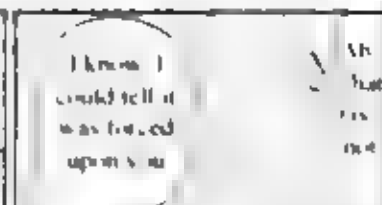
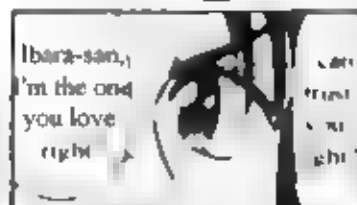
myself
from her







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I'm like a
guardian
angel
I guess!
Sure I am

ever since
we were
kids to
Mutsumi

However,
I want to
treat that
girl as my
choice

An
saka

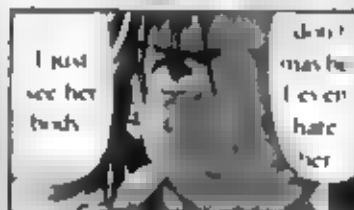


What is
there to
think
about?"

Anyone
who dares
hurt Mu-
tsumi will
become my
enemy

I will
use all my
strength to
protect
Mutsumi!

Mutsumi strived to make herself more beautiful all for Arisaka's sake, and he



I just see her beauty

don't maybe I even hate her

He confessed to her. How dare he say such things

Because Arisaka-kun likes other girls

I've decided I want to go on a diet



I can't bring myself to forgive that bastard anymore

Be what I want to be

PART 10

Diet Love (3/3)

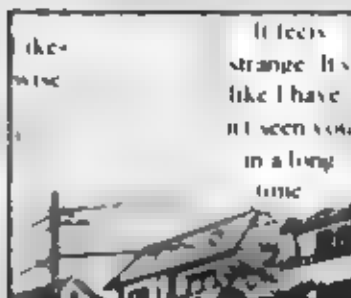


I will use all my strength to protect Mutsumi

Anyone who dares hurt Mutsumi will become my enemy



Oha



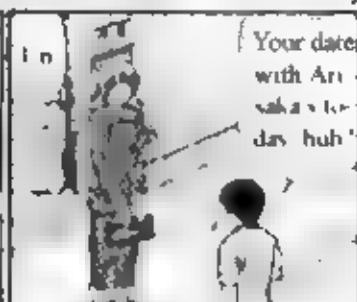
It feels strange. It's like I have not seen you in a long time



Oha-
you
Shin-
chan



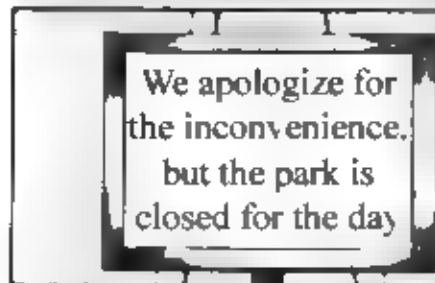
Where is it?



Your date with Aisaka is today huh?



A Sunday in early summer 1:40 PM
at the entrance to Kasaria Parkland



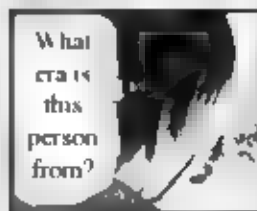
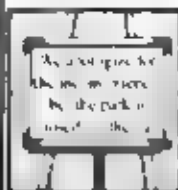
What the heck is going on here?

Cl
(Closed)





But-
ler



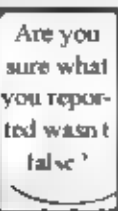
What
era is
this
person
from?



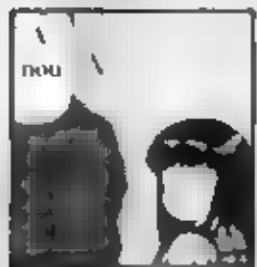
But-
ler



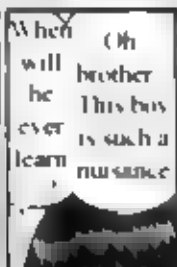
Yes



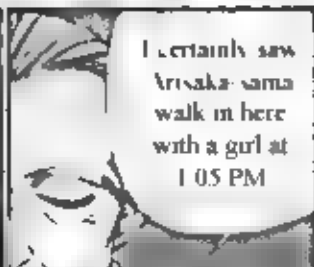
Are you
sure what
you repor-
ted wasn't
false?



you



When
will
he
ever
learn
Oh
brother
This boy
is such a
nuisance



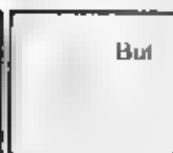
I certainly saw
Arisaka-sama
walk in here
with a girl at
1:05 PM



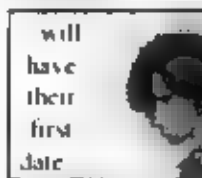
Are
you
a friend
of An-
saka's?



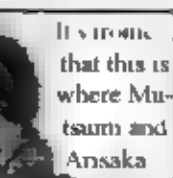
Arisa-
ka
And a
girl?



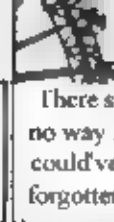
But



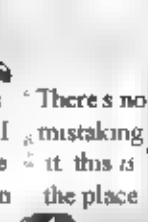
will
have
their
first
date



It's ironic
that this is
where Mu-
tsu and
Ansaka



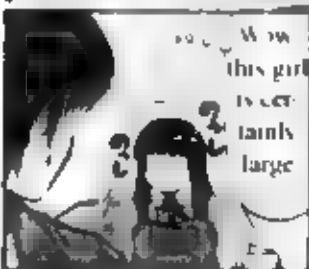
There's
no way I
could've
forgotten
the name of
this amuse-
ment park



There's no
mistaking
it this is
the place



Na-
saria
Park
land



Wow
this girl
is cer-
tainly
large



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how few can

18
Anaka v
father'

What?
The owner
of this
amusement
park

**KASARIA
PARKLAND**

He
speaks
him

But just one word from his child and he shut it down. 'That kind of father is

If he wants to make a move on a girl he always brings them here

But that
box sure
doesn't have
any imagi-
nation.

Wash—
Missouri
Missouri

Shin-san
please call
drop

Yes
No
Unknown

100%

81240

X is only in
 ○○ or △△
 possible even
 X X is not out of
 the question
 either

It's
so far
back
here

Meanwhile—
Inside Kassira
Park and

water

Now that's
just great
isn't it?

I like going to amusement parks the most.

I reversed
the place
especially
for you

But, the business here seems to be quite bad. It's Sunday, and it's a slow day.

So I asked him for this special favor.

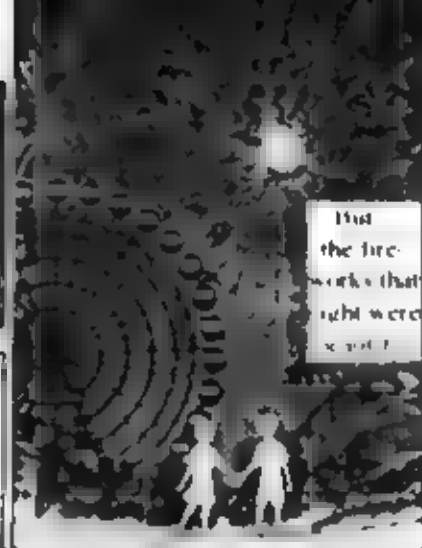
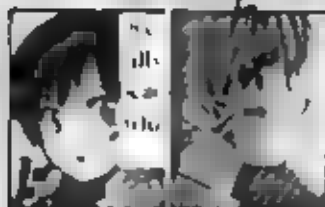
My father runs this place

Highly

This is absolutely fantastic. We have to make the most of our turn today, then."

1121
1122

Then this means, it's not only free we won't be in any way either by



But
the fire
works that
night were
so hot I

My
heart

was
falling
in

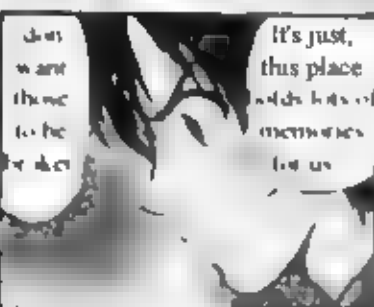


Shin-san
looks like
you really
like Mu-
tsuru-san

How
can I
calm
down

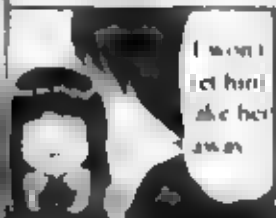


When we were
kids, it was just
once but we
came here toge-
ther one time

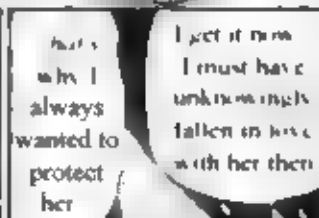


don't
want
them
to be
here

It's just,
this place
holds lots of
memories
for us



I won't
let her
take her
away



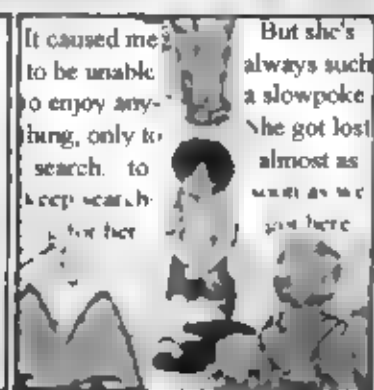
that's
why I
always
wanted to
protect
her

I get it now
I must have
unknowingly
fallen in love
with her then



I was real-
ly angry
because
I wonder-
ed what I
came all
the way
here for

When I
finally
found her
it was al-
most time
to close



It caused me
to be unable
to enjoy any-
thing, only to
search to
keep search-
ing for her

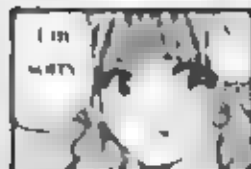
But she's
always such
a slowpoke
she got lost
almost as
soon as we
got here

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No more effort and
you're still
thinking
of another
girl.

I'm
here
able

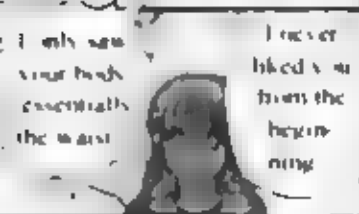


I'm
with



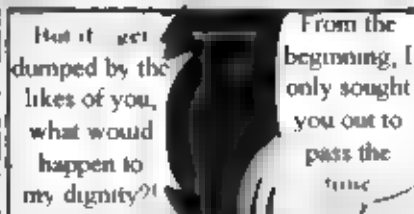
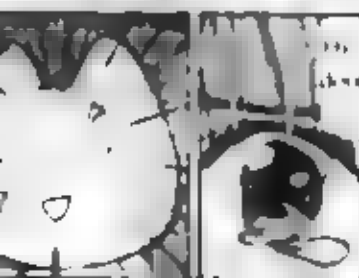
I won't
forgive
you

No
was



I only saw
your back
essentially
the most

I never
liked you
from the
beginning

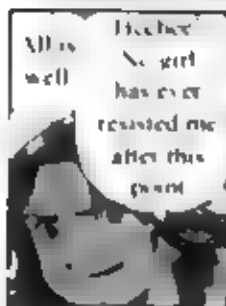


But if I get
dumped by the
likes of you,
what would
happen to
my dignity?

From the
beginning, I
only sought
you out to
pass the
time



I had
this
parade
made ex-
press calls
for you

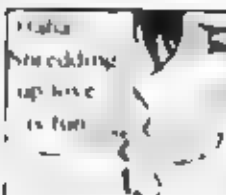


All is
well

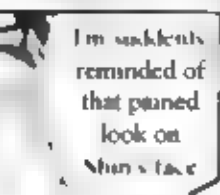
Heck
No girl
has ever
resisted me
after this
pound



Yes
been
told



Yeah
Shredding
up love
is fun



I'm suddenly
reminded of
that pained
look on
Shin's face

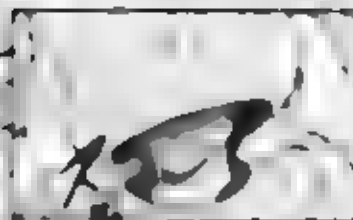


I really
wish Shin
chan was
here to see
this

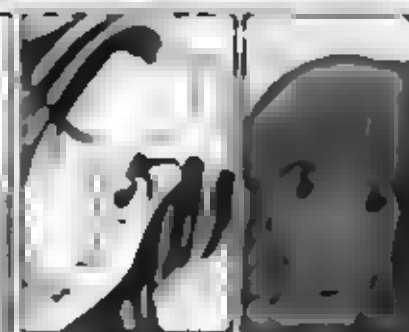
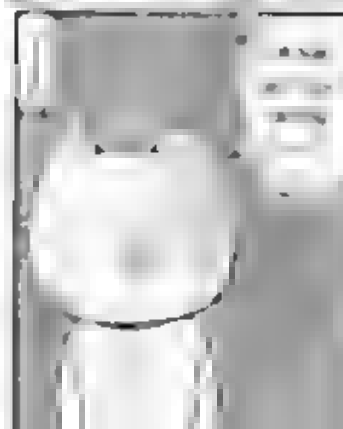


Uh

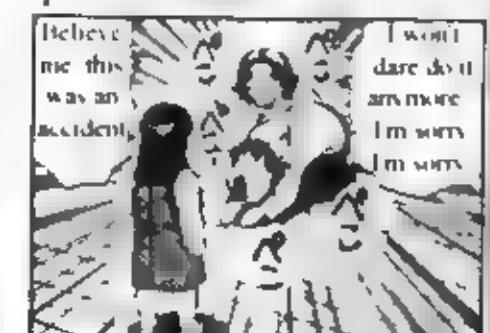
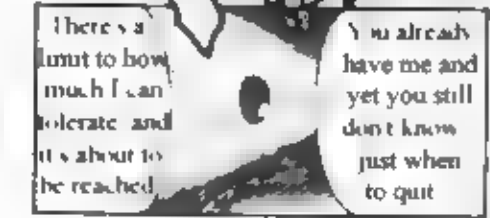
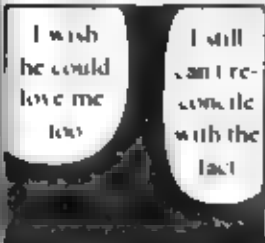
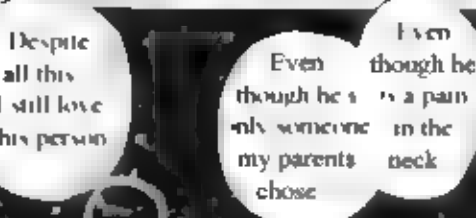
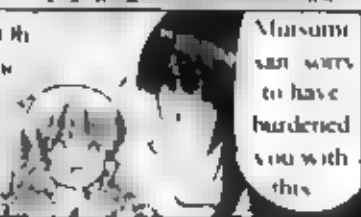
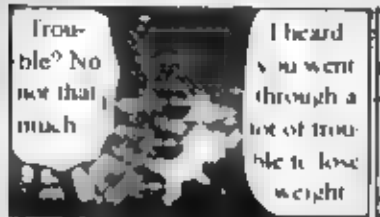
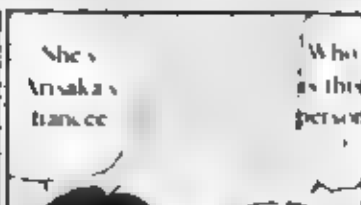
I'm
coming
with
you

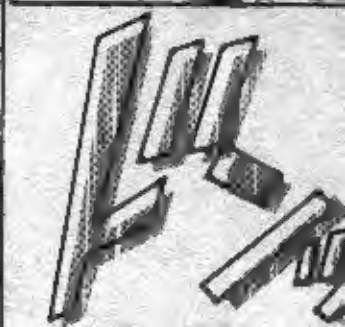
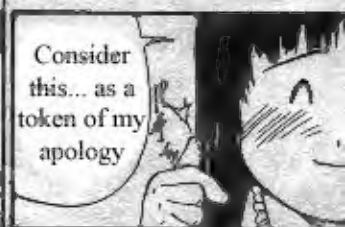
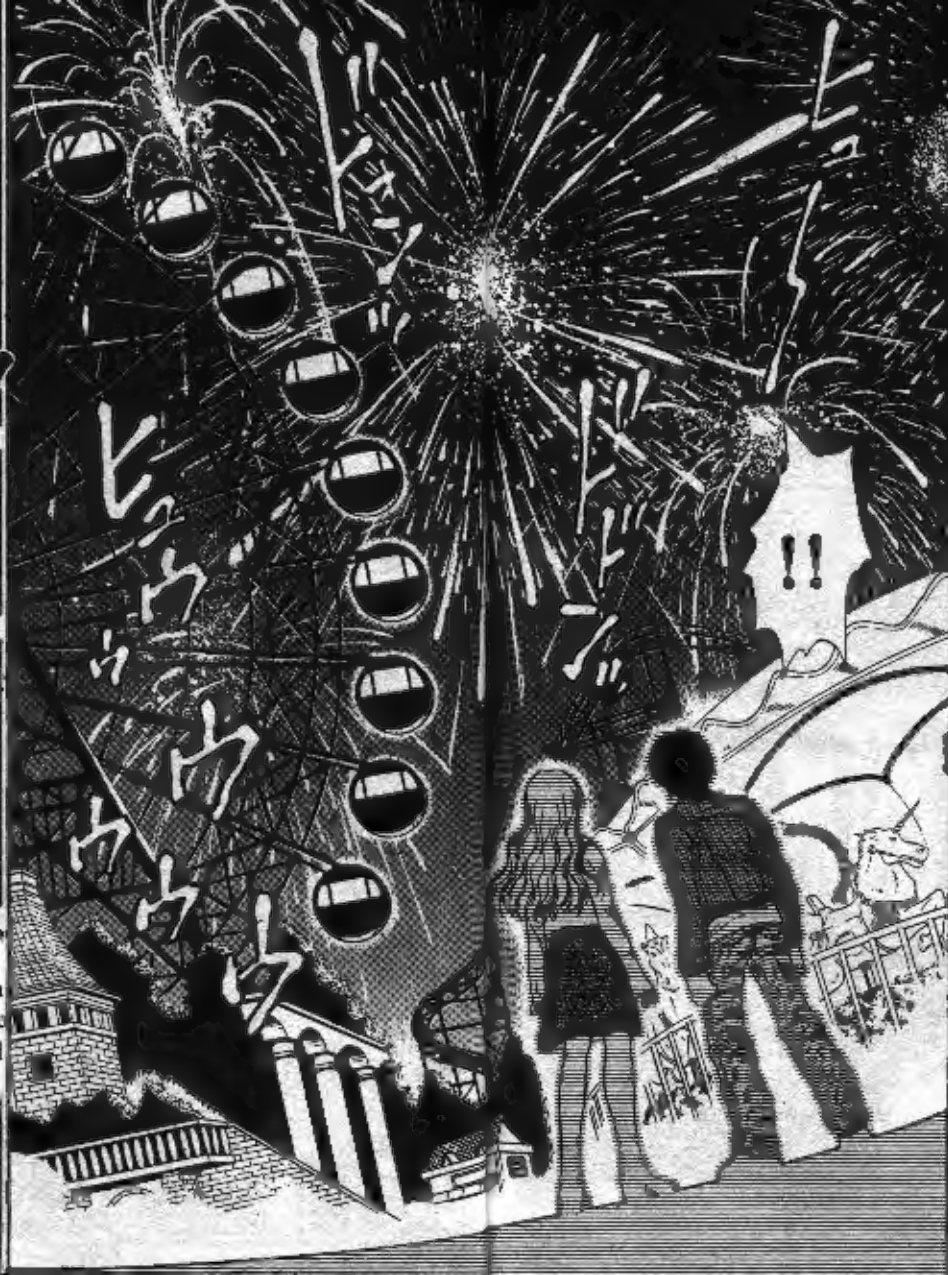


Kus-
How the
hell did
you get



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...
Yeah

Ne, do you
remember?
We watched
the fireworks
here once,
just like this



Well, I
wouldn't
know
why

Is...
is that
so?

My
heart
is rac-
ing...



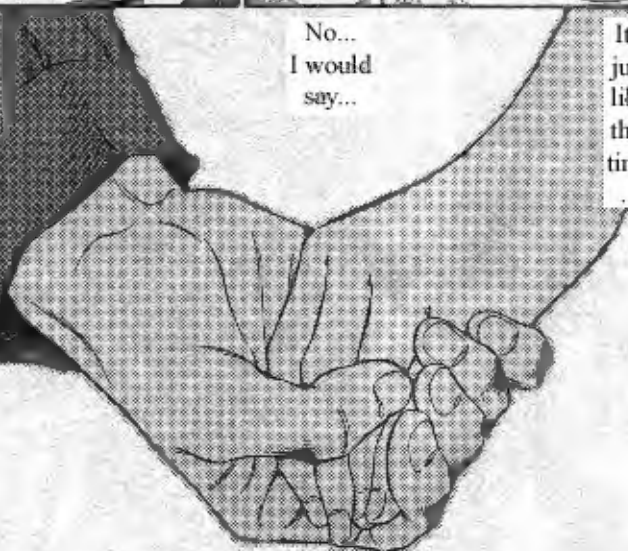
Can you...
hold my
hand, just
like that
time?



...it's
more
intense
now

No...
I would
say...

It's
just
like
that
time
...



—SALAD DAYS— • fin —

See you in the next volume



PROFILE

猪熊 忍

INOKUMA Shinobu

Attention everyone, Salad Days has reached vol.10. Everyone raise the roof! ...Sorry...looks like a momentary lapse of sanity there... but it's only because it's 4 AM right now, and I'm sleepy! But... I'm still very happy! Actually, this objective is the reason I work so hard. I want to have at least one of my works reach double-digits in compiled volumes! Of course, this is also thanks to reader support! I'll work even harder from now on to add even more volumes under my belt! And of course, I look forward to continued support from you readers! Well, see you again in vol.11! Argh! I have to think up names again!

COVER DESIGN:CAT



我所迷恋 的主角

MY FAVORITE GIRLS

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Even if you didn't know the name Milla Jovovich, only mention that she's the lead actress of "The Messenger" and "The Fifth Element" and you'll know who she is! Anyway, she's one of those people that can change personalities even through as simple a thing as a hairstyle change. That's why I actually only found out recently that the same person played those roles in the aforementioned films.... And beneath all that, lies an unrelenting mother tiger! Short hair suits her, I think she's a strong, beautiful woman. To me, she's the perfect female that statisfies all three conditions that ordain beauty! I don't know why, but I'm very deeply attracted to her...